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WHO IS IT?

Dr. Henderson's Dark Hint—He Intimates That

Some One, High in Place, Is Behind Missionary Ridgel in the Charges He Has Been Making Against the Missionary Board—A Salacious Rejoinder.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Ridgel's decision to go to Africa as a missionary is said to have been marked by the desertion of his wife and helpless babes. His departure is said to have been preceeded by a bigamous marriage. It is said that the money given him to defray expenses was lost in the company of a Liverpool prostitute. His advent into Africa was signalized by an ill-concealed quarrel with Rev. Mr. Fredrick. His stay there has been marked by constant quarreling through the papers. On his account the race has been disgraced at home and abroad. Men, erstwhile good friends, have been set at each other and the devil has simply been having his way. The matter has gone to a point where newspaper controversy is disgusting. When the procuror of the Ridgel letters is named, many will be surprised.

Bishops Wayman, Gaines, Arnett and Tanner, together with the Missionary Board, examined and approved the administration of the missionary department, so far as its secretary was concerned, aud Ridgel's slanders do not affect anybody and deserve contempt. So far as the board was able to do it, Ridgel was repudiated. He holds no place that the board recognizes. The Liberia Conference has received him with hearty resolutions of approval. If he suits them, let the stinking subject drop. It is sad to think that the good people of Liberia are at such a stage of morals as to welcome one who is spurned at home as a bigamist, and who is disowned by the department he tries to represent.

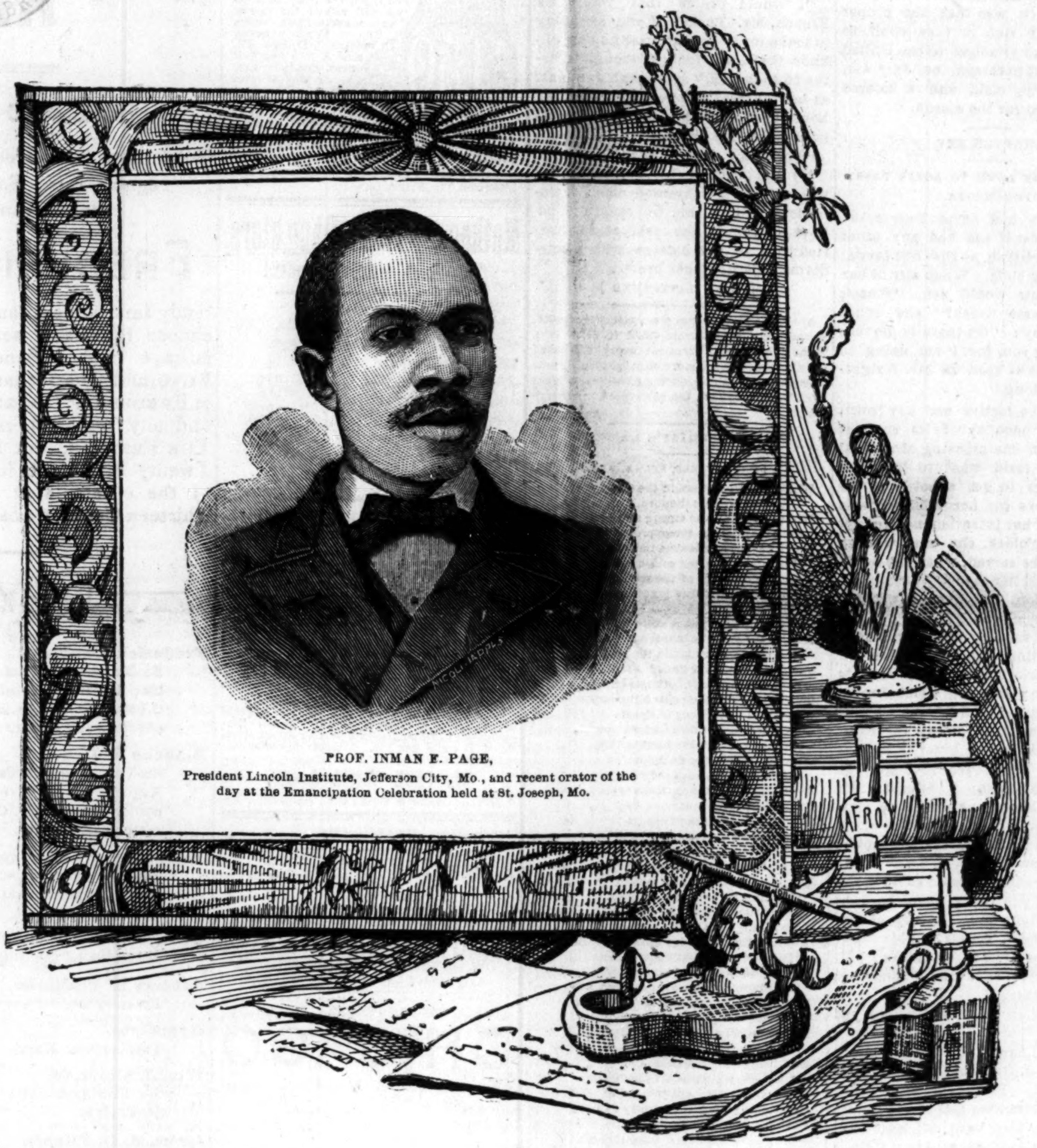
The A. M. E. Church is not responsible. She would not send to Africa one who is debarred from honorable relations at home. Ridpath's new book, published by Hunt and Eaton, Vol 4, page 461, says that the American Africans have no conception of chastity and no regard for the marriage tie. That even the missionaries and preachers hurry from church service to scenes of vice, etc. That is the verdict of a great author, whose false opinion is to go forth as a perpetual slander to be refuted only by facts. Hence I insist that the A. M. E. Church is not directly or indirectly responsible for Ridgel's assumed relations to her in Africa.

As to what I have said about Bishop Turner, Ridgel is no judge. Bishop Turner needs no sychophant to defend him. As to Dr. Derrick dictating what I shall write, Ridgel is again off. I doubt if Dr. Derrick even sees what is said, pro or con. If so, I don't know it. While on that subject I shall digress a little. There is a studied effort on the part of some to try and undo the last acts of Bishop Payne. If ever one man suffered at the hands of another, Dr. Derrick suffered through the sainted Bishop. Did he not bear it silently? Did he ever fail to treat with reverence the venerable prelate who however mistaken, was honest? When, near the close of his life, Bishop Payne saw that he had been mistaken, like an honest, God-fearing man, he tried to make amends. In the presence of the Pittsburg conference he began it, and until his death he kept it up. When a grateful church, through the venerable Bishop Wayman, placed over his honored grave a granite shaft, Dr. Derrick paid the chief eulogy to his memory. He was called to this honorable task by Bishop Wayman in recognition of the facts that are too sacred to discuss in an article like this.

Every one who knows Dr. Derrick knows that he is a gentleman in the highest sense of the word, and that he is treated as such by all who come in contact with him. Dr. Derrick stands in New York among her greatest citizens, just as Bishop Arnett stood among the great men at the World's Parliament of Religions.

Just as the heroic Ida B. Wells is now suffering at the hands of unprincipled enemies of the race, just so Dr. Derrick has suffered. He has lived long enough after being attacked to have been watched and measured, and the race is proud of him from Dan to Beersheba. Who is there in all this broad land who can point to one low, mean or ungentlemanly act committed by the courtly Derrick, who has come forth from the fierce fires of persecution honored and honorable, respected and respectable? Of course, such men as Ridgel do not want to see him numbered among the bishops, but men who do what Ridgel is accused of, don't have much say about things in the A. M. E. Church. Whether he becomes a bishop or a circuit-rider, he is already a gentlemen, and I trust will live out his life and die with his escutcheon clean.

JOHN M. HENDERSON, M. D.



PROF. INMAN E. PAGE,
President Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., and recent orator of the day at the Emancipation Celebration held at St. Joseph, Mo.

Gosling's "Blacks" at the Bat.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Ellen Greer was found dead in bed on the 29th, ult. She was well and out in the city on the night of the 28th. Three of the same family have died sudden in less than three weeks. Prof. J. C. McAdams, wife and baby are home again after a long absence. It is interesting to hear him tell of the many sights that he saw and experienced in his travels through the Southland. Rev. John Sebastian's daughter is very sick. Mrs. S. A. Burns fell from a window and killed herself on the 28th, inst. Prof. R. P. Purdy opened school at Colwell on the 24th, ult. He is well pleased with his outlook. S. Martin, his landlord, likes The Freeman. He says it is "all wool and a yard wide," and that there is no other like it. Miss Harriet Nixon is very sick at this writing. Prof. J. C. McAdams likes the way his father has managed his farm in his absence. Prof. R. G. Daniels opened school at Unionville, Tenn., on the 30th, ult. Rev. Mrs. C. S. Mery was called to Nashville, Tenn., on account of the death of Rev. Mrs. Dr. Hoits, of Philadelphia, Pa., the daughter of the Hon. Edmond Cooper, of Shelbyville, Tenn. She was a lady with a broad mind and a true and benevolent heart. She showed great kindness to Mrs. Mery with her carriage or anything else when she lived with her. H. S. Daniel is at home. Miss Maggie Stubbs was in the city on the 26th, ult. It is said that she came to see about a school, but it is thought that she has one pupil—look out young man. Gosling's "Blacks" went to Murfreesboro, Tenn., to play a match game of ball on the 30th, ult. Sunday, the 29th, ult., was rally day with Rev G. W. Hemphill. Rev. Reasonover has been carrying on a great revival at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Davis is assisting him. The eloquence ran high among the sons of Ham in the Ethiopian club that met at Gosling's hall on the night of the 27th, ult. Dr. Turner says that the health of the country is very good at present. Prof. B. P. Thompson has a very full school. A great many of the young men of Shelbyville are trying to learn some trade. We would be glad to have them all learn some kind of trade. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

The Emancipation Celebration.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.

The city has been alive this week with people from the surrounding towns celebrating the 1st of August, under the auspices of the Baptist Church. The celebration was not a grand success, neither was it an entire failure. The crowd was much larger than was expected. A dance was given at at Claycomb's hall by the Young Men's Crescent Club, which proved by far the greatest attraction, even if it was not. Everything was as orderly as a public dance of the kind could be expected. Another "foot-shake" was given by L. T. Moore and brother at Liederkranz hall.

Miss Caddie Reed has returned from a pleasant visit with friends at Rushville. She reports having a good time. Mrs. Jennie Sanders and children are spending a few days with her mother in Burlington, Ia. She will visit friends in Lagrange, Mo., before returning. Mrs. Ella Knight, a former Monmouth girl, has returned from St. Paul, Minn. She says there is no place like home. We have received the pleasant news that through the efforts of Monmouth's Sunday-school representative, Miss Ella Wallace, at the Wood River Baptist Sunday-School convention, in Elgin, Ill., it will convene here next year. Miss Ella was re-elected secretary. Mr. Washington, of Galesburg, was the guest of Rev. Clemens last week. Mrs. R. B. Catlin is in Chicago. Mrs. Blanche Turner tried to shoot herself last Friday with a 22-caliber revolver. The bullet, however, flattened on her skull and she is still in the land of the living. She is the daughter of Z. Price. At this writing she is improving. Mrs. Elder, of Lincoln, Neb., sister of Mrs. Marlow, is in Maple City on a visit. William Wallace has bought the horse and colt formerly owned by Richard Hale, deceased.

Camp Meeting Closed.

Marion, Ind., Special.

The camp meeting closed on Sunday night, July 29th, with a larger attendance than ever during the three weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Scott, of Richmond, Ind., and Wm. Scott, of Indianapolis, Ind., were in the city last week, on account of the death of their brother, Barber Scott, who departed this life on Thursday, at 12 o'clock. Miss Lizzie Bailey of New Castle, Ind., is here visiting her sister and brother. Mr. Brom, of Wabash, came over to visit the G. U. O. of O. F. lodge. Mr. Jordan, of Lafourtan, Ind., is here putting up bills for a camp meeting at that place. John Robinson was at Weaver, Ind., recently, buying oats. Mrs. Alie Article has gone to Cambridge to join her husband. H. L. Sanders, of Indianapolis, was here and taken several orders for barbers', cooks' and waiters' coats, last week. We hope he will call again. He is a bright business man. See J. M. Nichols and get The Freeman at his barber shop.

The Coming Celebration.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

A new cornet band is being organized. A series of sermons was preached at the courthouse by Revs. W. Hancock, of Corydon, Ky., J. Berry, of Kuttawa, Ky., A. L. Moore, of Princeton, Ky., which terminated Wednesday evening. City Marshall Wiant shot Pell Downey (both white), inflicting two gunshot wounds, one in the abdomen, which proved fatal. Pell was hunting the several city officials early Thursday morning with a double-barreled shot-gun, and attempted to shoot the marshal, but was shot himself, which resulted in the loss of his own life. He died Saturday morning. A maxim: "He who seeks to take the life of his fellow man shall lose his life." Just so.

Emanuel Grace continues very ill; also Mrs. Martha Martin, Miss Mary Lyons and Ida Watkins are very sick. The 8th of August will be celebrated at Brooklyn this year in grand style. It promises to surpass Paducah, as there are no charges nor gate fee, and everyone can have a good time with little expense. G. W. Rowlett went way below, Sunday. Rev. J. B. McCrary is in Eldorado.

Will Have a Wheel Club.

Denver, Col., Special.

Miss Hall, of Columbus, and Miss Troy, of Dayton, O., are the guests of Mrs. A. R. Mosby. Mrs. Eva Johnson, who has been visiting in Lawrence, Kan., returned home Tuesday. Mrs. Sexton, Mrs. Hackley, Mrs. Gilmore, Miss Thomas, Mrs. Chinn and Mrs. Edwards visited in Colorado Springs last week. Miss Ellen Williams returned from Boulder on Sunday. Miss Taylor, of Kansas City, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Henderson. Little Herman McMahan is quite ill with the whooping cough. Prof. R. H. Cole, of St. Louis, was visiting friends in Denver last week. Mrs. Charles Kennedy is quite ill at this writing. Mrs. S. W. Overton presented her husband with a baby girl last Thursday morning. Denver is to have a colored wheel club. Among the Republican speakers selected for the League meetings we see the names of Leroy Hayes and E. H. Hackley. A large crowd attended the picnic given by the Church of the Redeemer on Wednesday, the 25th ult. All colored persons and Italians having votes for sale, call at this office—"Populist."

A Week of Canventions.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

The fifteenth annual session of the Baptist District Association convened here July 26th, at Berry's Chapel, with Rev. Wm. Otey as moderator and W. A. Holmes as secretary. The doors of everybody's house was thrown open to the association. It was a gathering of success to church and race. May this not be the last time in Clarendon.

Phillips, Lee and Monroe Sunday-school convention convened at Berry's Chapel on July 24, at 9 a. m. The welcome address was by Miss Emma McGehee, of Berry's Chapel Sunday-school; the response by J. B. Martin. A short but interesting sermon was preached by Rev. Wm. Wilson, of Mariana. The church being too small to accommodate the people, they removed to a grove, where they congregated together for an old-time meeting. Everybody turned out and had a good time. No pains were spared to make it pleasant for the delegates.

THE MARCH OF A CONQUORER

Professor Councill and his Band of Troubadors on their.

Jaunt Through the Cities of the Southland—Royally Received by Both Race—Educational Trip.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

It is now my pleasure to continue my article upon the Educational campaign. From Decatur, where we were at my last writing, we went to Trinity. Here we were welcomed by an immense audience of both races. Our entertainment gave satisfaction to the good people, and their deep interest pleased us exceedingly. Our next appointment was Courtland, where we were receided cordially by the people, both white and black. Filling two appointments here, and accomplishing much good, we departed for Moulton, which is situated sixteen miles from Courtland, through the country. The white people at Moulton were so deeply interested in our meeting that they insisted that we stay over the next night and use the court house, where all could witness our exercises, for the church could not hold the vast throng. We remained and great was the success. Many declared themselves awakened to the great need of education, and promised to enter school somewhere this fall. White haired parents cried, "We will educate our children."

From Moulton we returned to Courtland, then boarded the train for Leighton. Here we were ushered to the magnificent home of Mr. Pruitt, one of the wealthiest colored men of his age in the state. Mr. Pruitt acquired a fortune of several thousand dollars within the past five years. The church not being sufficiently large to accommodate the people who were waiting to hear Prof. Councill lecture, and the Quartette sing, we were offered the large grove in front of the white hotel. The strange feature on this occasion was that the whites in the audience were in the majority; however we had a program of quite two hours, length. Prof. Councill's lecture aroused them to their sense of duty, and pointed them to higher and nobler things. The usual question was put to the audience, and many promised to think earnestly of what had been said, and act accordingly.

Our next engagements were at Tuscumbia Here we were given free access to the large city opera house on both nights, and being greeted by throngs of people, we were able to accomplish much good. So aroused were the people that they requested us to stop again on our return. We did so, and believing it possible to better reach the mass of our people, we used the Baptist church. Prof. Councill could not be present on this occasion, and members of the Quartette volunteered to say something along the great line of education. We were warmly welcomed at Sheffield, and the opera house was offered us, but as it was not seated, and we didn't have time to arrange seats, we used the A. M. E. church. We next stopped at Florence, where a large crowd awaited us at the house of Rev. Goodman. A large crowd welcomed us that night and listened attentivey to Prof. Councill, as he poured into their ears the great need of education. At the close of the exercises there was a rush for the front and many thanked us for the entertainment we had given them and the good it had been to them. They cordially invited us to "come again." It being our earnest desire to reach our people in the villages as well as cities, we went thence to Barton Station. Prof. Councill was compelled by a press of duties at Normal to be absent, the Quartette feeling the loss of Professor's lecture, attempted to fill the space by listening to remarks made by prominent Bartonians. After our literary and musical program, we listened to the sentiments of our audience. They thanked us for our visit to their town, and encouraged us in our work by telling us they were aroused to their duty, and others who would listened to us sing, recite and speak would be also. Our next point was Margerum, and we expounded to them the great truth, urging them to a higher and nobler life. There being but few people at Hartsell, we stopped at Flint instead. The young ladies, worn out by their long trip and continued singing and reciting, returned with Professor to Normal, there to rest and enjoy the refreshing breeze of what to us is "Home, Sweet Home."

Our stay in Flint was indeed pleasant and we believe quite profitable. Our next engagement was at Blount Springs, the splendid summer resort of the South, noted for its many kinds of water. There was no church large enough to seat the people, black and white, who were anxious to see and hear, we were asked to use the Spring yard, and while having his brain or "third story" filled with intellectual food, one could water his "second story" with healthful waters as white, black and red sulphur, arsenic, etc. From Blount Springs we left for Birmingham. In my next I will speak of our work in this great city. The Quartette is laboring earnestly for the uplifting of our race. Our songs attract the crowds and amuse, but the great lectures of Prof. Councill arouse, stimulate to action and thought, the thousands who hear him. The white people of the state are in sympathy with our efforts in this direction. The Moulton Advertiser said of Prof. Councill that he has the combined genius and eloquence of that illustrious triumverate, Clay, Calhoun and Webster. More anon.

IRA T. BRYANT.

The $1 rate lasts but eight days more.

MAID AND MISTRESS

A Romance of Two Cousins.

WRITTEN EXPRESSLY FOR THE FREEMAN,

By AUGUSTUS M. HODGES, ("B. Square.")

Author of "Fred Jackson's Vow." "A Rolling Stone that Gathered Moss."
"Prof, L. Wilson Dozier." "The Raise Problem,"
"Hon. L. Sweitzer, M. C." Etc. Etc.

CHAPTER XXIV.

MAID AND MISTRESS.

In company of Sarah Jane we are nearing a beautiful plantation a few miles from Marion known as Palmetto Manor. It is one of the few old plantations of the section that escaped the vandalism of the war; all its old time beauties and romantic attractions, with the exception of its slaves, can be seen.

As Sarah Jane walks up the lawn towards the old mansion we see seated upon the porch two persons we have met before in Europe and New York City. They are "Mrs. M. C. Montgomery and niece, Marion, S. C., U. S. A."

"Is that her? Well I suppose she will do, but why did you not hire a darker one? Those kind of girls always think they are as good as white persons, but if she knows how to make dresses and all the latest styles of dressing hair, as she told you she did, I will put up with her."

"She appears to be a nice girl and quite refined, Virginia, and some how or other there is something about her face which makes me think I have seen her before—here she comes! Good morning, Sarah. Virginia, this is your new maid that I hired in town yesterday. Sarah this is your mistress, I—"

The proud Virginia gave her new maid a look of scorn to cause her to realize that she was employed as a servant and not as a companion as she rudely interrupted her aunt with:

"It does not require a formal introduction between a lady and a servant. Auntie, show her where to put her things and let her come down and fix my hair."

This was a different introduction from what Sarah Jane expected, and would have turned her back with scorn upon Virginia had it not been for two things, one was it was a lucrative place and she needed the money to care for her sister, whom she loved dearly, and the second was there arose in her heart (for she was only a woman) a desire to stay and get revenge for the insult; to stay long enough to prove to her proud mistress she was her maid's inferior.

When two beautiful women meet, the prettier of the two as the servant of the other, the tug of war begins; the war for superiority. The campaign may be conducted in one of the following ways: The maid may try to outdress the mistress, to have more lovers, to be a better dancer, to prove that she is better educated, or if they belong to the same race the maid may try to steal the heart of the mistress' best young man.

Sarah Jane came down stairs and started upon her unpleasant duties with the resolution to stay in the employment of Virginia Haywood until an opportunity of some kind presented itself whereby she could convince her mistress that she was just as good as her, if not better, and as the male reader knows when a woman makes up her mind to reach an end or put into execution a resolution, she nine hundred and ninety-nine times out of one thousand makes a success of the attempt.

Virginia did everything she could imagine to keep Sarah Jane in her place and to force upon her the stern truth that she was a maid and not a companion, a colored servant girl as black in the eyes of her mistress as the most full blooded Afro-American plantation hand. The most of these lessons were given through the medium of the eyes, the language of which Sarah Jane understood full well.

Thus the winter and spring passed, the maid in plain black mourning dress waiting upon the haughty mistress, who was always dressed in the latest fashion of the day. Although they were dressed just to the opposite and wore their hair in a different style, the keen observer would have said, had he seen them together, that there was something about one that recalled to mind the other.

The ray of sunshine to brighten the beautiful quadroon's pathway was, her sister's health was improving, which made her conclude to make Marion, under all unfavorable circumstances, her home for a long time.

Virginia Haywood was still corresponding with Norris Tucker, and as we before stated Gossip, Rumor & Co. had it reported that they were engaged.

Sarah Jane chanced to find one of the envelopes one day with the business card Gray, Brown & Tucker, importers of fine silks and laces, No— Broadway, New York.

"Tucker, Tucker; Gray, Brown & Tucker; those names sound familiar, let me see. Oh I know, it was some one by the name of Tucker I met at Mrs. Flannigan's. No, it was—"

Before she had time to further name over in her mind, her mistress called her and the incident was soon forgotten and the name not located.

Virginia received a letter in June from Tucker, announcing his intention to spend the summer at Saratoga Springs, and she at once had her maid and aunt prepare her for Saratoga, where we find her in one of the private cottages (it was then the proper thing if very rich or very swell to rent a cottage) attached to the United States hotel at Saratoga, on July 4th, with her aunt, maid and a colored cook employed for the season.

CHAPTER XXV.

TEMPTED BY LOVE TO AGAIN PASS FOR WHITE.

Sarah Jane had never been asked by her mistress if she had any other name besides Sarah, as that one served all the needed ends. When any of her fellow servants would ask, "What's your last name Sarah?" she would laughingly say: "Oh there is no use of me telling you, for I am going to change it just as soon as Mr. Wrightman comes along."

Saratoga, the festive and gay town, was at the noonday of its summer greatness, on the morning of August 10th, as the maid went to the High Rock Springs to get a bottle of its healing waters for her mistress, who had declared her intention not to get up until 12 o'clock, she was waiting her turn to be served, when she heard a voice behind her say:

"Beg pardon, but have I not the honor of addressing Miss Whitehurst?" and turning she saw Norris Tucker standing with uplifted hat.

"It is Norris Tucker," she said to herself, "the young man I met abroad; met in Liverpool and Lisbon. I now remember, the envelope had the name on it; why he is her lover. Now is my chance for sweet revenge; he thinks I am white; I will pass for white only this once and win his love, just for revenge."

"Mr. Tucker, I believe," she said as their eyes met.

"I am more than pleased to meet you again—why you never came back to say good night the evening of the ball," responded Tucker.

"I told you good night before I left, as I was almost sure that I would not be able to return."

"I have often wondered where you were."

"Still, you hardly lost much sleep or enjoyment during the time of your wonderings. You have since then met some attractive girl of the South with whom you have at least corresponded," said Sarah Jane with a knowing look.

"The fact that a man writes to a young woman is no sign that he loves her."

"And likewise the fact that he tells her he loves her is no proof that he does."

"That is true, Miss Whitehurst."

"How well you remember my name, Mr. Tucker"

"That's because I have not forgotten you, that something has kept your image in my mind or I will say heart. Strange coincident is it not that my name should be fresh upon your lips, Miss Whitehurst?"

"That's because I saw one of your business envelopes in Marion a few weeks ago."

Tucker flushed a little but recovered in an instant. He knew that she referred to his letters to Virgina Haywood and concluded that she must be a relative of the Haywood girl.

"Yes I see it in her face; they can't be sisters, for Virginia told me she had no sister, so they must be cousins;" turning to Sarah Jane he said:

"If you have read any letter that I have written to any one in Marion, you know they were only friendly letters. If in the future you read any letters from me in that town they will be love letters."

Love and flattery are the charms by which you can enchant the fair daughters of Eve, and Sarah Jane was captivated by which one we will leave to the imagination of the reader.

Time flies quickly when we do not want it to fly, and Sarah Jane and Norris Tucker spent three hours together talking at High Rock Spring before they imagined they had been in each other's company a half an hour.

"Has that Sarah got back from High Rock Spring, Auntie?"

"No, Gennie, she stays unusually long this morning."

"Flirting with some of those race track fellows, I suppose. Oh how I wish you had hired a dark girl, I fear those kind of girls."

"What have you to fear, she is not white; she is not likely to get any of your beaux, or at least your future husband, Mr. Tucker."

"Now to be truthful, Auntie, I don't like to have a maid, and a black girl at that, who is better looking than I. Now I have said it, but what keeps her? I'll dress and go up to the springs and see. If Norris comes here this afternoon before I get back, say I have gone out but will be in soon, auntie."

Virginia dressed herself the first time since she employed Sarah Jane, and started out for High Rock Springs "There is something wrong I know," she said, "I feel it. I don't know why, but I hate that Sarah, and wish to goodness I had never seen her. I try to say and do everything I can think of to make her feel disgusted and leave, but she will not. She must leave, I believe she is bad luck. Yes, she must leave, I hate her. She is too near white and too pretty; suppose he saw her and thought she was white?"

"I would prefer that you speak French, Mr. Tucker, if you are going to make love; in that case no one will know that I am foolish enough to listen to such talk," said Sarah Jane just as her mistress was nearing the spring house in which she and Tucker had been seated for hours.

"Very good, French it is."

He was pleading his suit in French when Virginia Haywood came up unnoticed. "Can this be true, can I believe my eyes?" she said as she hurried back to her cottage with a murderous look upon her brow.

[TO BE CONTINUED]

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THE PESSIMIST'S LAMENT.

BY C. P. JONES, SELMA, ALA.

What comfort is there in the world
  That may console the sore, distressed?
What sympathies so strong and deep
  That may deliver the oppressed?
Man's heart but answers unto man's,
  With emptiness and selfish greed;
Upon the vineyard of the soul,
  The fruit destroying foxes feed.
Each wise man's ointment has its flies
  That spoils the pungent, sweet perfume;
As dies the fool, the learned dies,
  And both are leveled in the tomb.
The pleasure seeker finds his fruit,
  But grinding sand between his teeth;
The beads upon each sparkling cup
  Contains a prophecy of death.
Man climbs ambition's highest mount,
  That he may but the further fall,
And sink the deeper in the mire;
  Pitied by some, despised all.
Beauty attracts the amorous eye,
  And feeds the vanity to-day;
To-morrow, trouble passes by
  And chases every charm away.
Wealth draws about a host of friends,
  That flatter while these things abide;
But when wealth takes its ready wing,
  They pass by on the other side.
The politicians rant and rave
  About the evils they'd correct;
And how they'd change the noxious laws,
  If people would but them elect;
But little sooner have they gained
  The places sought, with so much zest,
Than each man sets him hard at work
  To feather his partic'lar nest.
The young man loves the maiden fair,
  And promises eternal make,
But little sooner are they wed,
  Than every promise will he break.
The business man will join the church,
  And speculate with worldly dash,
Until his debts he cannot pay,
  Then skips with other people's cash.
The deacon wears a pious face,
  And all to righteousness beplead,
But when she cannot pay her rent,
  Ejects the widow in her need.
The churchman prays for all the earth,
  That satan may be conquered soon;
Then builds upon his corner lot,
  And rents it out for a saloon.
The whisky seller rakes your cash,
  While fiery draughts you downward pour;
But when you cannot help yourself,
  He kindly kicks you out the door.
While you are spending cash for rum,
  He is as friendly as you please;
But when his wares begin their work,
  He gives you up to the police.
The preacher in stentorian tones,
  The sins of Ninevah will tell;
While in his congregation sits
  The vilest wretches out of —— well.
Last, but not least, the murmuring pest,
  Describes the motes in others' eyes;
While in his own are marring beams,
  Hurtful, and of enormous size.
He points you to his neighbor's humps,
  And tries you with a grin or groan;
But seldom looks into the glass
  To get a picture of his own.
The noblest and the best that live,
  Are weak, and foolish deeds have done;
Astronemers with telescopes,
  Discover spots upon the sun.

Oh Christ! 'tis true we all have sinned,
  And of God's glory, have come short;
Our hearts are sin disposed, and blind,
  And are but ground for deamon sport.
Save us by thy own merit, Lord,
  Sprinkle from unclean things the heart;
And sanctify it by thy word,
  That we may choose the nobler part.
Hasten the prophet-spoken day,
  When all earth's kingdoms shall be thine,
And at the wedding of the Lamb,
  Life's waters shall be turned to wine.
When no more man to man shall say,
  "Know ye the Lord," for all shall know;
When as the floods o'er spread the sea,
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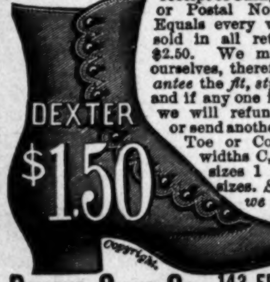

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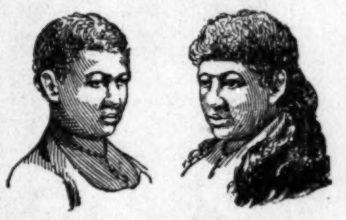

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Normal has had the benefit of some of the brightest minds of the State of Alabama since the Chautauqua has been in session. The seed sown by these great and influential minds are sure to germinate and bring forth the expected results. Indeed, we can see by the interest manifested by our local ministers and teachers that it is having the long hoped for and desired effect

Too much cannot be said in behalf of the originators of this grand work. For this is the only way that we can ever hope to reach our brethren in their cursed condition in the far South and bring them to a higher standard of Christian and educational civilization. We must first seek the best way, which the Chautauqua is now doing, to bring our brethren up to the standard or plane of civilization where man is a man, morally, physically, mentally, intellectually and in every sense that tends to make a true American citizen. Then, and not till then, may we hope to break down the dark and unfathomed and unsurmountable difficulties that now confront us in every avenue of life. The Chautauqua is now trying to reach the masses of our people; and once this is done, all the powers under heaven, yea, the compound powers of hell, cannot keep the Negro from being a Man, and occupying the same positions in life as those held by any other race that treads terre firma.

Out of this Chatauqua, which has only been in session four weeks, has grown an educational campaign inaugurated by Prof. W. H. Councill. He is going from town to town accompanied by a quartette of male voices, giving free concerts and delivering free lectures. In this way he is able to reach the masses of our people, and arouse them on the subject of education, showing them the benefits to be derived from a literary business and an industrial education. During the three weeks Prof. Councill has been on this campaign he has never found a house of any kind large enough to accommodate the crowds that would gather. They rush in by the hundred, both white and colored, to hear him When the Professor was asked of his success in the campaign, he said: "I have spoken to thousands of people since I have been in this campaign. I cannot find a house large enough to seat the people, not even standing room. The very best places are given me. This movement is highly endorsed by every leading white paper in the State, and it is sure to bring about the desired results."

Here is what one of the leading white papers of Alabama has to say of Prof. Councill and the school: "Prof. W. H. Councill, principal of the State Normal College for colored pupils, located at Normal, Ala., near Huntsville, lectured in the court house at this place [Moulton] on Tuesday night last to a packed house of whites and blacks. His subject was "Man," and along this line he gave some original ideas, clothed in beautiful and eloquent words. Indeed, he seems to possess the genius and eloquence of that illustrious triumvirate, Clay, Calhoun and Webster. He spoke for near two hours, holding to the close of his remarks the rapt attention of his auditors. Councill is one of the ablest colored men in the United States—a man of unimpeachable integrity, a Christian gentleman, and he is devoting all the energies of his well trained mind to the amelioration of his race—of leading them out of bondage, of ignorance and sin to light, to truth and to God The school over which he presides is a State institution and is doing a great work Besides giving a proper literary education, thorough instruction is given in carpentery, cabinet-making, wheel-wright, blacksmithing, painting, printing, shoemaking, quarrying, farming, cooking, nursing, sewing, etc., educating the hands along with the mind, and qualifying the pupils for intelligent labor in the various avocations of life. In our next week's issue we will give a more extended and detailed account of this school, its objects and purposes, and perhaps shall have something more to say in commendation of its eminent principal and his efforts to uplift and improve the condition of the Negro race. God bless him in this christian work."

Returning Leadvilleites—Personals.

Leadville, Col., Special.

We have had considerable rain during the last two or three weeks, which has saved the ranchmen the trouble of arigating, as they otherwise would have to have done. Miss Mary Richardson of Leavenworth, Kan., is in the city visiting her uncle, Geo. Robinson, Sr. Mrs. John Hedspath has returned from her visit to Baltimore. The Japanese tea party given at the A. M. E. church, by Misses Marcie Gooden and Mamie McLean, was a grand success financially and socially, for which the Rev. J. H. Bohanan extends his thanks to the young ladies and friends. Ed. Hamilton's family, who have been in Denver for some months, will return home soon. The Colorado A. M. E. Conference, which was to convene in Helena, Mont., on the 22d or 23d of August, has been indefinitely postponed H. Townsend, one of our old residents, who, with his family, have been residing in Cannon City for more than a year, has returned and contemplates remaining permanently. Many have left Leadville since the panic, but the majority have returned, declaring Leadville to be the best place they have found. Grand Master Chas. H. Robinson, of Colorado Springs, was in the city on the 26th, ult., enroute to Salt Lake City and other places, to look after the interest of the work of the Masons in his jurisdiction. Mrs. Geo. Holcomb and her daughter, Miss Laura, have returned from their protracted visit in Texas. Mr. Evans, of Philadelphia, the traveling agent of the North American Telephone company, was in the city last week, the guest of Mrs. Emily Ewing. George Motley was thrown from his buggy last Monday, while driving a young horse up a rugged mountain road. The vehicle struck a stump on the upper side of the road and upset, throwing Mr. Motley out, bruising his shoulder and hurting his leg. He was picked up and carried home, where he is improving nicely, under the faithful attention of his grand-daughter, Miss Viola Phillips. We heartily endorse J. J. Jones' proposition regarding Miss Ida B. Wells, as set forth in The Freeman of July 21st. Let the Afro-Americans give Miss Wells a rousing welcome home, thereby showing their appreciation of her labors abroad.

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Truesdale, Mo., Special.

The District Conference of the Hannibal District of the Central Mo., annual conference of the M. E church, convened in Troy Mo., the 18th ult, Elder G. Reeves presiding. The conference was largely attended. Troy Mo, is located on the branch of the St Louis and Hannibal R. R. with about 5 or 6,000 inhabitants. The spirit of Democracy is so prevalent in this little town until a Negro is hissed at while walking on the street. Old Missouri is not one whit behind the other Southern States in prejudice and lynching Negros. And it has become so that if a white man gets killed and there are Negros near, some one of them must die; for a white man has fell and the Negro must pay the penality of death for the fall of his brother in white.

A Camp-meeting is now in session at Truesdale Mo., will continue till the 10th of August. Quarterly meeting and basket dinner reopening Aug. 5, 1894.

Don't Want the B. Y. P. U. There.

Brazoria, Tex., Special.

Your correspondent has been appointed as organizer of the B. Y. P. U. in this district, and wrote many letters to the churches concerning a call meeting in order to organize. He has received word from Oyster Creek, Tex., that they "don't want the B. Y. P. U. there yet awhile." The word was sent by Mr. S. J. Halles. I don't understand them. They know the association meets on the 22d inst., and we contemplate having a county union organized in connection with the association. It is all in the leaders, or so-called leaders, to keep the young people behind Any person that is up with the times knows the B. Y. P. U. to be a good society. I don't know why they delay.

WILBERFORCE DEFENDED

By a Home Journal—Trustee Board Perhaps Large

And Unwieldy, but There Is No Lax Management—President Mitchell All Right—Bishop Payne.

The Christian Recorder, the organ of the A. M. E. church, has a leading editorial entitled "Wilberforce Top-Heavy," which is calculated to do the institution great harm at a distance from here where its grand work is not so well understood as it is in this neighborhood.

The article criticises the management of the University in very strong language; first, because of the large number of Trustees; second, because of lax management.

As to the number of Trustees, each Annual Conference is entitle to five (three ministers and two laymen) This makes a Board of about two hundred—but half of them never come to attend the meetings, There is, perhaps some justice in this criticism. One or at most two delegates from each conference would be better than five. As it is, new men coming to the Board meetings, only here a day or two, often unacquainted with previous action in certain lines, and having their own ideas of policy, make tronble, unintentionally.

But as to lax management, or the "head of the school" coming in for its "share of general short comings," we think the brother has over-stepped the mark. It is likely the editor only comes here for a day or two during the commencement season when it is not expected that strict discipline shall be observed, and bases his charge on what he sees on these occasions. At all events, those of us nearer home, hear nothing of such charges, and do not believe there is any justice in them. Of course it is not unlikely that some Wilberforce students should do things they ought not to do, but where will you find a college of this size, anywhere, that it is not the case?

We are not prepared to speak of the grand work that Wilberforce is doing, as it deserves, but certainly everybody hereabouts will say that never before in its history, was it in such a flourishing condition or accomplish such a benificent mission. Under the present management the magnificent help from the State was secured, which has built and equipped the great new arm of the University, the Normal Department. Never before was there such a large enrollment of students or the University in such a flourishing condition in every respect.

It is likely, if the condition of the University is as the brother describes it: "The whole head sick and the whole heart faint," that the senior Bishop of the church, the late lamented Bishop Payne, who had lived right under his shadow, would have left his whole fortune to it and its other new arm Payne Seminary?

Or if the University is in such a bad condition, how comes it that every Bishop of the church, nine in number, should have honored it with their presence, at commencement week before last?—Xenia Gazette

The Dangerous White Women.

Berwyn, I. T., Special.

On the night of the 16th, ult., a white woman got off the train at this place about 12 o'clock at night. B. E. Beshears, a colored groceryman of this place, in company with two ladies, come to the depot about 3 o'clock to wait for the 4 o'clock train. The white woman was sitting there alone. She told them that some one had mistreated her, and was crying, and said it was a colored man. She asked Mr. Beshears to take her to some lodging place. He did so. On the following night 100 men surrounded his house and took him out, and they told him they would kill him if he did not tell them all about it. He told them they could kill him, but he did not know anything thing about the affair; no more than the woman told him. He said he thought it was a favor for him to carry her to the hotel. They gave Mr. Beshears five days to get out of town. The whites are arresting every colored man they can possibly get, and carry them to be identified. She has not found the right man yet. She says Mr. Beshears talks more like the man who raped her than anyone that has been brought to her. The mob's motto is burning. Some fifty colored men guarded Beshears Saturday night at the Dowes Academy. Mr. Beshears runs a grocery in this place, which he built and moved into some two months ago. He has a wife and one child. This place is raging high for Negro blood. One half-breed Indian wanted to kill every colored man he met.

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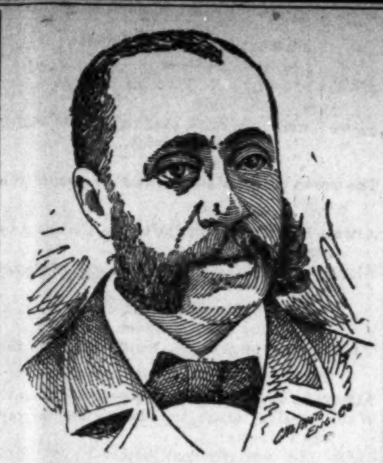

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Information wanted of my mother, father and two sisters, names: Caroline, Vincent, Harriet and Caroline. I saw them last about thirty years ago in Lexington, Ky., near College hill. I was called by them "Quincy." My name is John Quincy Adams Bradley; I lived with Henry Clark in Lexington, Ky., at that time. Address all information to S. D. Jackson, Pensacola, Fla.

I have a son; have not seen him since the war. His name is Thomas Taylor Turner, my home was in Madison Co., Tennessee, but I left him in Columbus Kentucky with a man by the name of John Stevens, who was a Telegraph Operator. He was between the age of 7 and 8. His father's name was Sam Turner and my name was Henrietta Turner. Every pastor will please read this to his congregation, and readers will please inquire. Any one giving information will oblige Henrietta Wallace, 1403 Maple St., Des Moines, Ia.

I would like to find my relatives. I was born in Virginia and belonged to a man named Lewis Davis. I was about 9 years old when I left Virginia. There were four sisters of us, Caroline, Becky, Sallie; and I. My father's name was Bob Reed, and my mother's name was Patsy Reed. She belonged to Lewis Davis in Virginia. My father did not belong to Lewis Davis. Robert Allen Davis sold Becky, and Lewis sold Caroline and also her sister Lucy. I had two brothers, John and Frederick. Brother John was married to a lady by the name of Jennie Payne. If anyone can give any information of the above named persons, please address at once Lucy Mead, or her son, Sandy Anderson, Mineola, Wood county, Texas.

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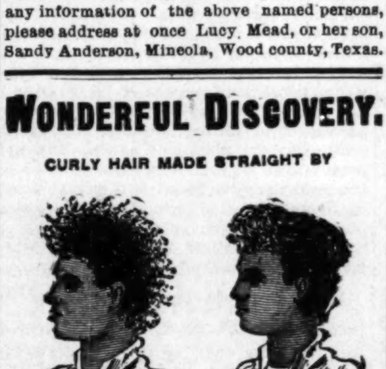

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When you've got a thing to say,
Say it. Don't take half a day.

REMEDIES FOR LYNCH LAW —A CASE IN POINT.

Under the above head the Philadelphia Record of a recent date thus discourseth:

"Miss Ida B. Wells, a young colored woman of Memphis, Tenn., who has made a lecture tour in England with the purpose of stirring up a sentiment against lynching of Negroes in the South, has returned to New York, bearing evidence that her effort to arouse English susceptibilities have not been without effect. Undoubtedly there have been entirely too many lynchings in the South—and this statement applies with equal force to the North and West—but just as undoubtedly many of these crimes against law and order have been prompted by offenses of such revolting nature that blacks and whites have alike participated in the lynchings, in the mistaken idea that they have been dispensing a species of rude, barbaric justice. That Miss Wells is cultured and in earnest, and filled with a humane purpose that should claim a respectful hearing anywhere, is not to be questioned. But there is room for question as to the wisdom of her plan of campaign. She can do far better work at home than abroad; but she must first disabuse her own mind of the notion that the question is wholly one of race hostility. A prominent leader of the colored race, celebrated for his gifts of oratory, in a frank talk upon this question a year or two ago, advised his people that they had not been altogether free from responsibility for the existence of the lynching spirit, and not altogether without obligation to exert themselves by precept and example to lessen the possible occasions for its manifestations; that, not only should they set their faces against crimes that affect the welfare of society, but they should be among the first to bring the criminals to justice.

"If Miss Wells should conduct her crusade somewhat upon this line, she would be apt to do more for the good of her people and for the cause of humanity than she can ever hope to accomplish by missionary work among the upper circles of English society."

While there can be no justification for the crime of rape, absolutely none, there is by the same rule no cause for lynch law. But it is a deeply rooted belief that a great per cent. of the crimes were and are not committed by black men, save in report circulated by white men to shield white men in blacked faces, or when charged by white women who have been willing and anxious consorts of black men, who at the last extremity shouted rape when detected or fearing it. It has been proven that in many cases when the willing consort of the black man lacked the wicked gumption to charge her black paramour with rape, knowing him to be innocent, white men have come to the rescue, and, formulating their inhuman charge, Judge Lynch quickly did the rest. Not a month ago a Negro named James Johnson was arrested in St. Louis, Mo., on the charge of ravishing a white married woman living within a few miles from Fulton, Mo. The Negro was huddled out of St. Louis and the next morning, Sunday, between 12 and 1 a. m., was left dangling from a sycamore tree. Let the Fulton Journal, a white paper published in Calloway county, Mo., tell the rest of the story for the edification of The Record:

"It seems, two years ago next month, Mrs. King was left at home with the negro, who was employed as a farm band, while her husband, William King, attended the Mexican fair. About nine months from that time a child was born to Mrs. King, yet nothing was charged against the negro, he remaining in the neighborhood and in Mr. King's employ, as we are informed a portion of the time, and only recently went to St. Louis.

"A short time ago the report came out that there was something wrong, as the child had kinky hair and was constantly getting darker in complexion. The husband finally left, bidding the mother and her child farewell.

"Mrs. King says the Negro forced her and threatened her life if she ever breathed it. Her relatives and friends, believing her statement, had the constable who was her sister's husband, swear out a warrant against the negro charging him with rape. Then this brother-in-law, the constable, and another brother-in-law, went to St. Louis and made the arrest, bringing him to Cedar City. They left Cedar, for here, about six o'clock, and at midnight they had driven about fifteen miles, when as stated the mob appeared from ambush.

"It is said Johnson signed a statement verifying the charge against him, but the fact that Mrs. King maintained silence for nearly two years, and until the tell-tale blood in the child made it necessary for her to face the fact, causes grave suspicion, and many open charges of complicity and acquiescence on her part."

What does The Record think of this case. Does any one believe that Johnson raped that woman? Does the Record believe that the white men who procured his arrest and finally hung him believed it? How many similar and more revolting cases have happened in that section of the land "where rape does most flourish," within the last twenty years who knows but the great Judge who reigns above? But therein lies the wisdom of Miss Wells' plan of appealing to the conscience and judgement of the people of other lands. America, our home, people have been appealed to in vain. For years, not only Miss Wells, but numerous and eloquent race leaders from Frederick Douglass down, the church, learned and influential men and women of the race everywhere, aided by presidential denouncement as formulated through papers of State, congressional and state legislative debate and enactment, all have continuously, unitedly and separately, and at different times within the last quarter century, striven in vain to array the conscience of the nation against this sectional crime, this sectional spite against the Negro, that he is no longer a slave. But the crime, its perpetrators and abbettors undismayed, seemed to flourish all the more, and the humiliating confession must be made—the national conscience had at last yielded to the spell, law, whenever and wherever the Negro was concerned, had become and is to-day a mockery, and justice seldom camps about his bailiwick. The work Miss Wells has accomplished abroad could not have been accomplished here. After waiting for years it became necessary to prick the conscience of the American people, to abase and humiliate them abroad, that "good might come out of Egypt." This Miss Wells has succeeded in doing, and no better illustration of the fact need be looked for, that to day all the great journals of our land, of which The Record is a worthy and splendid type, can find "space" to discuss her work, and tongue to condemn as never before this systematized crime against the Negro in America. If this treatment that the Negro has been suffering from for so many years is not due entirely to the color of his skin, it lies between that and the inate perfidy of a certain class of the whites, and this perfidy has been shown to the English people in all its revolting aspects. For this perfidy, for the reign of "Judge Lynch," a halt is demanded. In her pleas abroad Miss Wells has not appeared as an apologist for crime, nor an emissary to foment strife between the races, but as a declaimer against crime, no matter who the culprit, asking only in specific behalf of her race, that whatever a member of it shall be charged with, he shall be accorded a trial by judge or jury, not hastened to an ignoble brutal death, as a wild animal might, and thousands have been within the last two decades. In some instances, we have no doubt colored men have been guilty as charged, and have contributed to the deplorable condition that civilization stands aghast at, but a mistake was made and a double crime committed, that a punishment was not meted out to them by a legitimate process of law. Through whatever softening lens it is observed, the condition of the Negro not only in the South of our country, but East, North and West, is such as to, in effect, indict the good will and intentions of the whites, and furnish the justification of the course pursued by Miss Wells.

ALWAYS BE NEAR YOU.

Always be near you? Through the weeks, the months, the years,
Along the smiling vales, over the hills of tears?
Thy hand to guide,
To walk beside
The one so brave, so strong, amid the hopes, the fears?

Always be near you, in the bloom, the sheaf of life?
Along the love-bright way where sorrows must be rife;
Thy presence dear,
Thy words to cheer
The fainting pilgrim on, amid the toil, the strife?

Always be near you, when others loved lie low?
When passing 'neath the chastening rod my cup o'erflows?
Still thy dear love,
Unchanged, unmoved,
To comfort and sustain, and share my cup of woe.

Always be near you, when the last golden sun fades?
When the dusk of evening casts its deepening shade?
When earth recedes,
And the angels lead
Me up to Him, whose love our joy complete hath made?

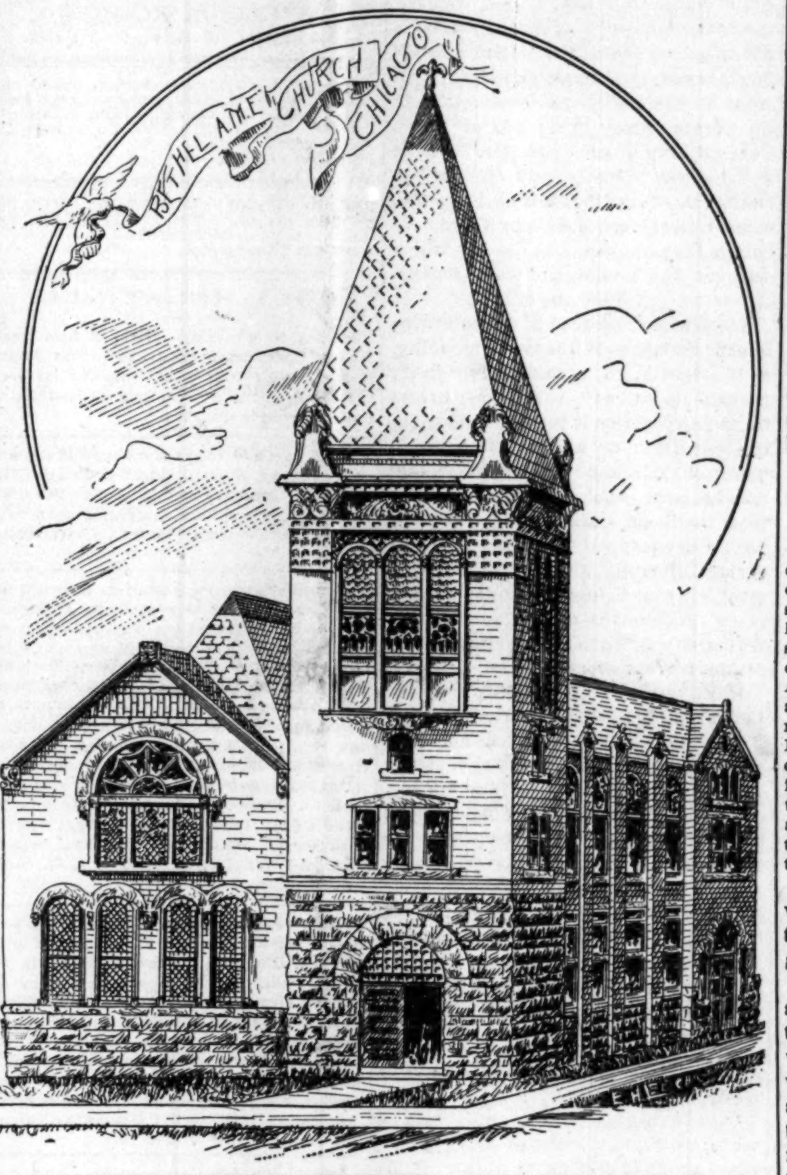
Always be near you? Ah, and favored lot is mine
To walk this way of earth, with trusting hand in thine;
To know thee near
In smile and tear,
And follow as thou leadest up to gladder climes.
—[Rosalind.

"INTROSPECTION," "RETROSPECTION" AND "PERSPECTION."

"If the editor of the Indianapolis FREEMAN should stop long enough to contemplate Nero fiddling while Rome burned, he would abandon somewhat his penchant for introspection and give some attention to retrospection and perspection. Mr. Fortune did not take the suggestion of calling the mass meetings from an editorial in THE FREEMAN. He called the meetings because they were needed to be called and because it is his business to be alive always to the interests of his constituents. We read THE FREEMAN and we read all of our exchanges, and we are influenced somewhat, in the main, by the fact and opinion they furnish as to what we shall ultimately say in regard to any public question, as they necessarily reflect public opinion. We are not above adopting an idea or suggestion from THE FREEMAN, but we seldom have need to do so because THE FREEMAN so industriously adopts the ideas and opinions of The Age. It little matters who fathers an idea or suggestion intended to better the public condition of race or nation. The main point is to do all that is possible to work out success in the given line. It is worth while to say, however, that in such labor THE FREEMAN is usually zealous on the right side. It is the introspective habit of Editor Sweeney which we wish to emphasize."—The Age.

We appreciate the compliment implied in the charge, coming from Editor Fortune, of being an introspectionist and regret we cannot conscientiously return it, for as much as our friend loves to be "jollied," excuse us, but THE FREEMAN is not in that business, generally speaking. We have on one or two occasions called attention to the poetic vein making up a considerable thread of the mental fibre of the Age man, giving him a penchant for the weird, picturesque and changeable rather than the steadfast and solid, but further we have not, could not go. We wish we could, but to save us we cannot take Mr. Fortune serious. That our friend is a retrospectionist we shall not demure to, so is the crawfish for that matter, for whether his eyes are located in the rear of his anatomy, if he does not look backward it is proverbial that he goes backward, and through it all remains the same old zigzaging crawfish. But the editor of The Age is not only a retrospectionist, he is also a perspectionist, a sort of a mental jack of all trades, but not above a slap-dash bluff-you-on-the-first-round-dabbler in anyone. And we gather further that he reads the "exchanges," surprising admission, reading THE FREEMAN with the rest, happy and fortunate man, so that, take our brother for all in all, he's quite a "toast," don't you think? We trust, however, our friend will excuse our blunder and think no more of it. We certainly had no desire to cloud the purple light of his perspective by our modest suggestion, that a prior FREEMAN editorial might have inspired him to issue his proclamation to the National Protective League. Whatever credit there is to be gleaned from that action, as far as THE FREEMAN is concerned, belongs entirely to Mr. Fortune. We hereby publically and formally eschew all claim, otherwise, that in a foolish burst of editorial vanity we may have been guilty of. We cannot close without recording our appreciation of the editor of The Age for the grace of the admission that he is not "above adopting an idea or suggestion from THE FREEMAN," in part payment, we suppose, of the many ideas and opinions of The Age adopted by us at different times. It matters not that we cannot just now on the spur of the moment recall a single idea or suggestion of The Age used by us without due credit having been given to the virile editor, the fact that he is not above adopting an occasional idea of ours, and we presume by the same sign others of his brothers and sisters in the "art preservative," is most encouraging and turns our surprise to praise. Taking a swift retrospective view, looking backwards, we may consistently wonder and ask in all seriousness, did the prince of flank verse contemplate in the perspective our friend the editor of The Age, and whilst under the thrall of that marked personality, the future living President of a dead Afro-American Protective League, indulge his muse as follows:

"Others, 'though great, beneath their arguments seemed struggling;
While he, from above decending, stooped to touch the loftiest thought,
And proudly stooped, as though it scarce deserved his verse."



EVOLUTION IN CHURCH ARCHITECTURE AMONG AFRO-AMERICANS.
One of the buildings of which the race to-day can boast of many.

IS IT NECESSARY?

President Mitchell, of the National Afro-American Press Association, has issued an appeal to the newspapers composing the same, asking that inasmuch as there

"seems to be a concerted effort on the part of the bourbon Southern white press to belittle the efforts of Miss Ida B. Wells and to deny the truth of what she says in her crusade in England, where she is arousing public sentiment against the crowning infamy of the nineteenth century—American lynch law,"

that all

"race editors write at once an editorial setting forth the hideous situation of affairs in this country, so far as it relates to lynch law,"

and that "each editor supplement the article referred to by another in her defense," the same to be forwarded to Miss Catherine Impey, Somertshire, England, to be tabulated and preserved by that lady as a "wall of defense," etc., for Miss Wells. As a member of the Press Association, being at one time its Secretary, the idea, although somewhat late in materializing is a graceful and fitting recognition of a worthy and distinguished member, on the part of the President of the Association, beyond that it strikes us Editor Mitchell is indulging in a great amount of cheap, belated hyperbole to cover up a good deal of rank nonsense. There's a possibility of protesting too much and creating suspicion where none exists, and in such a way as might cause Miss Wells in the end to experience somewhat the feelings of the man Senator Vest, of Missouri, told of, who after Vest had saved his neck by a "burning plea" before the jury, in thanking the Senator, remarked: "I do not know Senator, but what, had I the thing to go through again, I would prefer a life sentence rather than be given my freedom through another such a plea as you made in this case" We apprehend by the time the 300, more or less, race editors (?) had bombarded Miss Impey, good and patient philanthropist as she is, and through her the English people, by their fullsade of double leaded editorials, accompanied with special "supplementary" articles, that Miss Wells would sigh to be freed from her friends or

"Rest low in the grave."

We undertake to say, other than what the Negro press has, is and will continue to do, that Miss Wells needs no preconcerted, concerted or formal defense against the vile attempts to blacken her womanhood, led by the very men who in the first instance persecuted and drove her forth from home and business for those very sterling qualities of character they are now assailing, and without the possession of which, her name would not now be as it is—a household word in the christian, moral homes of two continents. Falsehood has its hour, but no eternity. Detraction raises up friends and creates defenses where none existed before. The slanders of the Southern white press failed of their aim from the beginning. The people of England spurned them as the base and last weapon of vile men frenzied because a Negress had been found possessing the courage and the qualifications to tell the story of their crimes to the world in a manner that carried conviction and gave it the stamp of truth. Their lies not only fell flat, but being directed against one solitary little woman, the effect was to arouse not only the English but the American press, North, in behalf of her slandered womanhood. The slanders so lately born are already dead, and the more quickly forgotten, the better.

THE CAUSE OF ALL THE PEOPLE.

"When Miss Ida B. Wells arrives in this country a monster ovation and a good fat purse ought to be given her. Here is a chance for some of our wealthy men and women, particularly those who have been honored with large salaried positions by the Republican party because they were supposed to be representative Afro Americans, to do something practical and thus show their appreciation and a true race interest. Let Douglass, Bruce, Lynch, Langston, Pinchback and Hill, Afro-Americans who have secured fortunes in the manner indicated above, head the list of contributors to the Ida B. Wells purse. They should jump at this opportunity with at least a $100 bill in their hands. Will they do it? Will the Potomac flow backwards?"—Cleveland Gazette.

No, the Potomac will not flow backwards, no more than it is probable these persons will act upon your suggestions.

The ovation and purse business is all right. Anything, no matter what, that may be did to emphasize the good work accomplished by Miss Wells will be all right, eminently fitting and altogether proper, but let the ovations that are tendered, the purses raised for her, be contributed to by all the people, black or white, Democrat or Republican, Jew or Gentile, christian or Pagan, saint or sinner, who loves their fellow man and the eternal causes of humanity and justice. Just why the distinguished individuals mentioned above, who at different times in their careers have been fortunate or unfortunate enough to have been Republicans and to have held public office, should be picked out for the purpose named and specially "held up" and "gibbetted" to the tune of a $100 bill apiece, more or less, we do not grasp the logic nor the justice of. Seriously, Mr. Smith, you can afford to be above such flings.

A "GALLED JADE" WINCES.

"It is best for people to investigate before discussing something they know nothing about. We refer particularly to the Indianapolis FREEMAN, in reply to its article on "Two Tongued-Tied Niggers."—Free Speech.

A true and just reflection. If THE FREEMAN erred it was a fault of the judgment, not the heart. As the case now stands, either Miss Wells had not investigated, had no real occasion to make the charge she did against the editor of the Free Speech and the Rev. Mr. Nightingale, or—well, we were content to accept Miss Wells' statement as authority, yet did not hesitate in our last issue to give editor Flemming the benefit of his denial, such as it was. Hear brother, such as it was.

WE congratulate Mr. Cleveland on his appointment of Mr. A. H. Grimkie, of Boston, Mass., as consul to St. Domingo. Mr. Grimkie is a clean gentlemen of superior scholarly attainments and is no less a credit to the service than his race.

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Emancipation Celebration—Reception.
Paducah, Ky., Special.

It is rumored that Andrew Watkins will soon embark in the undertaking business on Seventh street, near Washington. Dr. C. A. Isbell has gone to Lynchburg to see his mother and other relatives. Miss Emma J. Conway, of Evansville, Ind., is in the city canvassing for a book entitled "Anti-Separate Coach Law." The proceeds are to be used to defray the expenses in testing the above named law before the United States Supreme Court. Miss Mamie Kelly, of St. Louis, Mo., is in the city on a visit to Mrs. B. F. Jones, 406 Seventh street. An elegant reception was tendered her on the 27th ult.

Mrs. W. L. Yancey, of Springfield Ill., was in the city last week on a brief mission. Miss Lena Bronson, of Chicago, is visiting relatives. Missouri Anderson, aged nine years, died on July 28. John O. Neal and Miss Champy Mills were married July 18. M. A. Hall, who had his hand mashed while running as brakeman on the C., O & S. W. R. R., has filed a suit for $5,000 damages in the United States District Court. The old folks' concert and excursion to Metropolis on the 24th ult. drew a fair crowd. Emancipation day will be celebrated on the 8th of August at the following places: Owens Park, across the river, Rowlandtown and Davidson's Park. According to rumor several weddings will occur in the near future among well known people of the city. Please pay for the paper when it is delivered and avoid the unpleasant sensation of being asked to settle up. Call on Minor Bradshaw, The Freeman agent, 419 Jackson street, and get the paper.

Died in Africa—Personals.
Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Subscribers, please notice that The Freeman, through a mistake at the office, was not sent to Chattanooga last week, but hereafter look for it just the same as usual. Also note that for a few days you can purchase The Freeman one year for $1.00. Leave your orders with C. E. Newton, the agent, or at Dr. O. W. James' drug store, 403 W. Thirty-Ninth street. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lewis, on Birch street, are the happy parents of a ten pound boy. Mrs. Napoleon Mars is visiting friends in Knoxville, Tenn. Miss L. M. Carson, is spending a few days in Lafayette, Ga. A. D. Kelly returned from Montgomery, Ala., a few days since. Miss Delia Parker, of Cleveland, Tenn., is visiting Miss Mary Guess, on Grove street. Mrs. Lucy Madkins is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. H. C. Saxson.

Mrs. J. L. Zuber died last week at her home on Grove street. Mrs. Jane Britton, wife of Uncle Billy, who for a long time was a rag man in this city, but went to Africa, received a letter that her husband was dead. He was preparing at the time of his death to send for his wife. The entertainment at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Franklin, at Churchville, was quite an enjoyable affair. The Sacred concert at Wiley Memorial church Sunday night was the most interesting of the kind that has ever been produced in this city. The programme was as follows: Chorus, "Gloria Patri;" solo, "Jerusalem," H. D Alexander; solo, "He Giveth His Beloved Sleep," Miss E. S. Redding; song, "Evening Prayer," Quartette, Misses M. E. Sewell, Ella Reddy, Messrs. W. Richardson and W. S. Sewell; solo, "Only Tired," Miss Rosa Downs; solo, "Come Unto Me," Miss Nettie Washington; duet, "Morning Land," Misses Jessie Olden and Ella Roddy; solo, "Calvary," Mayme Caloway. A very able address was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Geo. W. Ziegler; Miss G. A. Sewell, organist; Miss Daisy Lowndes, pianist. The exercises were very good from beginning to end and the church was packed from centre to circumference. We will give a full account of the entertainment or concert by Prof. A. Calhoun in our next issue. Don't miss it.

Reduction In Rates To Michigan Points.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad have arranged to make special low excursion rates to Michigan points; tickets to be sold for all trains of Tuesday, August 14th, good returning any time within twenty days. These tickets will be first class, good on any train of that date named, and will be sold at half rates for the round trip, the object of this being to accommodate those whose vacations do not extend longer than two or three weeks, and at the same time familiarize the public with the beauties and health-giving qualities of the Michigan resorts. This is an opportunity which can not be ignored by invalids, or by tourists who are fond of fishing, hunting, boating or any of the numerous pleasures of out door life.

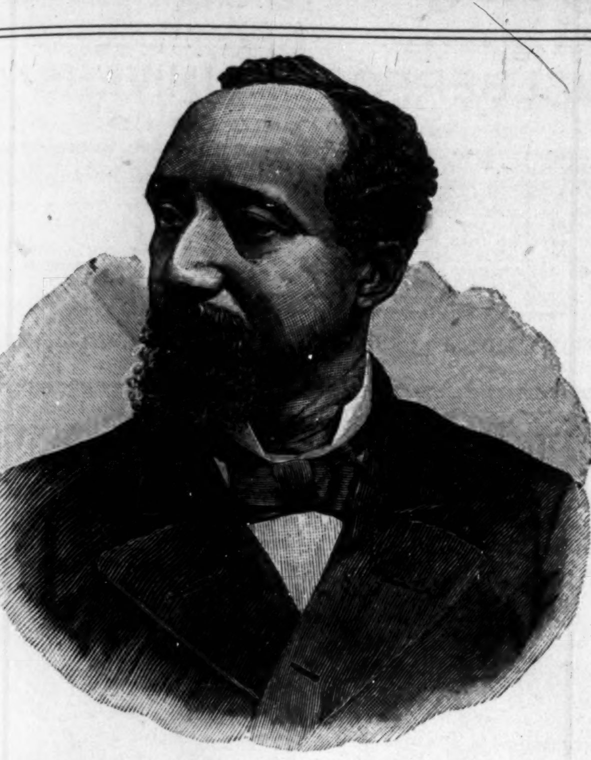
For full information, tickets, etc., call on any C. H. & D. R. R. ticket agent, or address D. G. Edwards, General Passenger Agent, Carew Building, Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. D. Balwin D. Pa,
Indianapolis, Ind.

A Surprise.
Derby, Conn., Special.

There was a surprise tendered Miss Jennie Mayo, No. 184 Seymour ave, by her many friends, under the suspices of M. J. G. Club. The occasion was an enjoyable one to all who were present.

But Eight Days Remain in which you may take advantage of our Reduced Rates. $1.00 for One Year Talks!



NOTED AFRO-AMERICAN PRESS REPRESENTATIVE,
W. H. Stewart, Esq., Editor American Baptist, Louisville, Ky,

THE KING OF FLOWERS HAS

An Entertainment in His Name —A Fish Fry by Purling

Streams—County Republicans Hold a Delegated Convention—"One Night on the Lake—Society Flashes.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Mr. Coursey Clark has returned from Mariana, where he has been visiting parents. Rev. Reuben Johnson, of Holly Grove district, after some talk in his pulpit was struck speechless and at this writing is dangerously ill. The Ladies' Industrial club met at the residence of Mr. A. L. Greer to transact usual business. Rev. G. W. Swan was present to christen the baby of Mrs. A. L. Greer—Fannie Larena. The meeting concluded with a sunflower entertainment which was La Creme de au soir. Mr. Isaac Williams furnished the music for the affair.

Mrs. Geo. Robinson is suffering much from a very badly swolen ankle. Two games of base ball were played at the Sportsmen's park, Brinkly vs Helena. Meyers and Crosby battery for Helena and Vandresser and Boganna for Brinkly the first day, scores 6 to 14 for Helena. The Second day they changed pitchers, Black for Brinkly, and Hack for Helena, score 6 to 10 for Helena. The can factory is running working 37 women. Mrs. Rev. G. W. Swan has returned from Searcy looking improved. Mr. H. P. Morris while on his way to teach school on the Hornor place killed a rattle snake crossing the road; it was five feet long, had ten rattles and a button. Mrs. J. H. Harvey spent some days at Haynes Station visiting her sister. Mrs. J. A. Taylor, of Robinsonville paid home and mother a visit; she came here from Bledso, where she has been teaching, returned via, Mariana. Managers W. K. Knox and Rob't. Boddy invited the public out on the 3rd to attend a fish frying at Storm creek. A number of families were out to spend the day in the woods and on the shady banks of the beautiful, clear and cool stream of the creek.

On Wednesday. Aug. the 8th the Country Republican Central Committee of Phillips county will hold a delegated convention at the court house in the city of Helena in pursuance of the resolutions that were adopted at the meeting held on the 9th day of July. The object of the delegated convention is to transact such business as may properly come before it. The voters will please select and send the following numbers from each precinct: St. Francis court house 2, St. Francis Salvador 3, St. Francis Williamson 2, Helena, 1st ward 1, 2nd ward 1, 3rd ward 1, 4th ward 1, Cleveland 1, Lake 1, Hickville 1, Marvell 3, L'Augville 1, Cypress 1, Searcy 3, Big Creek 3, Spring Creek 1, Marion 1, Cleburne 1, Upper Mooney 1, Lower Mooney 1. These delegates are to be selected on the Saturday preceding said convention. D. W. Ellison, chairman. H, P. Morris, secretary. The Merry Workers, deeds of kindness, of the Second Baptist church, gave a novelty entertainment, "Mumble social," for the benefit of the church. It was a success, financially and socially. Misses Sabella Wilson, president, and Katie M. Graves, secretary.

Rev. J. M. Knight, of Poplar Grove, was in the city looking fine. The B. C. A. and R. S. No. 10, tendered an installation and an annual celebration, at Rev. M. Profits church near the head of Long lake. It was a beautiful night and all were out to enjoy themselves one night on the lake. Rev. J. S. Drett and B. J. Jinkins, of Helena, addressed the order followed by Rev. Wm. Blakely, G. L. with closing remarks, A. Rice, R. S. and President Coleman without restraint made every thing convenient for an enjoyment. Prof. D. Amp's band furnished the music.

Mr. S. D. H. McCray was in the city from Mariana; he contemplates going to Little Rock to attend the A. B. college. Mr. Jas. Shaffer, of Mississippi, passed through the city to Lee county, where he is teaching. Henry Miller, Rob't, Johnson and Matt Williams, committee of arrangements, gave a very nice picnic on Judge Thweatt's (white) place Aug. 2nd. Rev, T. B. Robinson and E. W. Morrison lectured on moral training, while J. H. Harvey and H. R. Lucas made some talk on Odd Fellowship. Miss Jessie Kilabrue and Wm. C. Cox were elected delegates at the A. M. E. Sunday school to go to Jackson, Ark., to attend the convention. Rev. A. C. Johnson who is holding fort at Trenton, was in the city. He is holding a revival at the church and has twenty-two converts.

At the Young Men's Baptist Association, quite an interesting debate took place, subject, Resolved that the recent strike was beneficial to the laboring classes of America. The Phillips, Lee, and Monroe, counties held their annual association which was a very enthusiastic meeting which will result in much good to the Baptists of this section. B. Y. P. U. exhibits their usual program each Wednesday night, and the large attendance proves the wisdom of the organization. Miss Ida Adams is holding a good school at Lexa. The Teacher's Institute will be held in this city, commencing Aug. 6 and continuing one week, Prof. Henry Avant director. H. L. Remmel was nominated by the republicans for governor of this state on 26th inst. Mr. Remmels is a well known republican of this state and will poll a strong vote.

Social Notes Plea For Negro Papers.

Fayetteville, Ark., Special.

Mr. P. Smith and Miss Mary Grant were united in marriage on the eve of July 27. Rev. H. Moare officiated much joy to the happy couple. Rev. Seth Neal has returned from Camden Ark., where he went to attend the Annual session of the K. of F. Miss Elmna Pettigron and Mrs. Fanny Part have returned from a pleasant trip to Cane Hill. Miss Lucy Taylor will open school at Rack Camfort on Monday August 6th. She will teach four months and return to Kansas City Mo., to re-enter school. The handsome residence of Mr. Wm. Taylor is now ready for occupancy.

The Freeman is read by a great many of the leading Colored Citizens yet there is a few that could take it that do not. They enjoy reading white men's papers, which seldom contains anything about the Negro except something he has done, that is low and degrading, if he steals a chicken or a hog and is whipped, burned or lynched, it is the first thing that is to been seen, they always put such on the first page in plain letters so it will be sure and be seen.

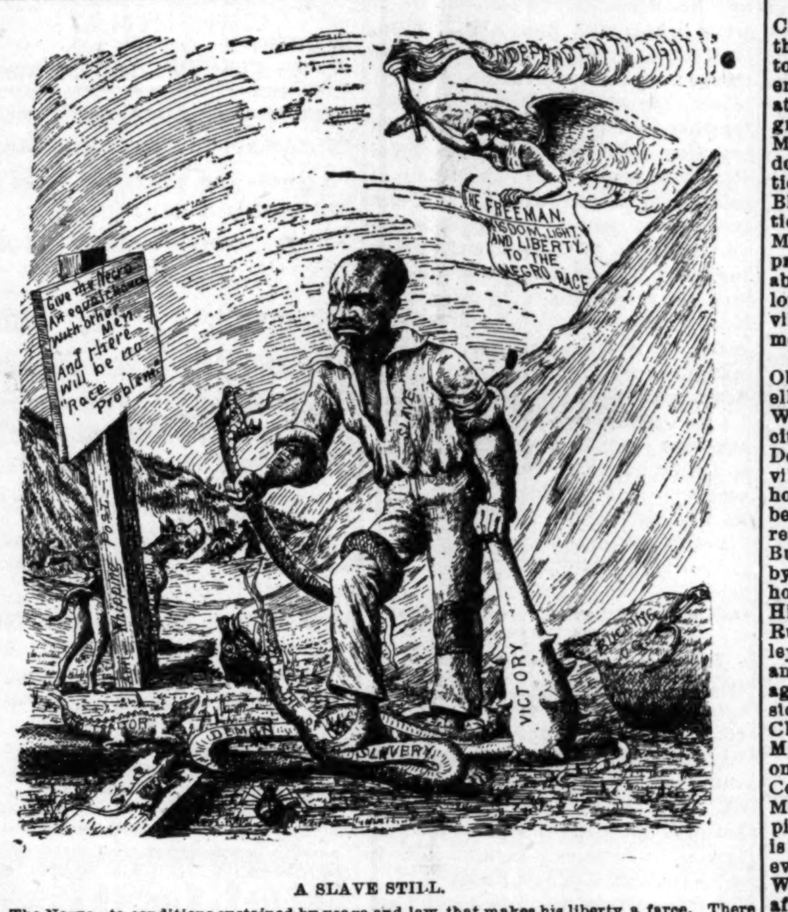
It is time that the race was getting above such things as throwing their money away where it will be of no benefit to them. We should patronize our own newspapers, and in fact anything that is done for our upbuilding, let it come from whatever source it will or may and until we hang together we will never be a people. We should fill the schools with our children instead of crowding the street corners and back alleys. That is the greatest curse of the Colored race today they have time to run around on the street, but never time to go to school.

I am speaking of this town individually, though all the cities are equally as bad; yet thank God for one thing, we seldom ever see a Negro begger. I have tried to keep a careful record of the tramps and beggers that has visited our city since the first of January past, to the best of my knowledge their has been 104 tramps and beggers in this city, yet I am satisfied that a great many were here that I never seen, and since '75 up to the present time '94 I have heard of one Negro begger, and I did not see him, I only heard he was here, and it is said he dug potatoes one whole day for three meals. One of the oldest white citizens of this place said it was the first Colored tramp he had ever seen, and I truly hope it will be the last one.

Trouble In the Church,

Crawfordsville, Ind., Special.

Mr. Henry A. Rogan W. G Patriarch of Indianapolis, visited the Eastern State Chapter in this city, and also W. F. Teister, G. C. A. P., of Greencastle Ind., and accomplished a glorious works, There was a misunderstanding or something else, at the Baptist church prayer meeting a few nights ago. Ed Robinson wanted to pray and take part in the services. Robinson, it is alleged, has charges pending against him at Evansville and he wanted the church to try him here. He was informed that before he could take part in the services he must return to Evansville and be cleared of the charges against him. Elder Miller turned out the lights and Robinson retreated from the church and gathered up a rock. But the rock was not thrown, and Robinson was assessed by Mayor Bandel $10 40 for provoke. During the excitement Cassius Johnson also called Elder Miller a liar, and Justice Chumasero fined her $1 and costs for provoke.


INDEPENDENT LIGHT
THE FREEMAN
LIBERTY TO THE NEGRO RACE
and there will be no "Race Problem"
VICTORY
TRAITOR
DEMON
SLAVERY

A SLAVE STILL.

The Negro—to conditions sustained by usage and law, that makes his liberty a farce. There is no "race problem," but downright, hellish meanness on the part of the whites.

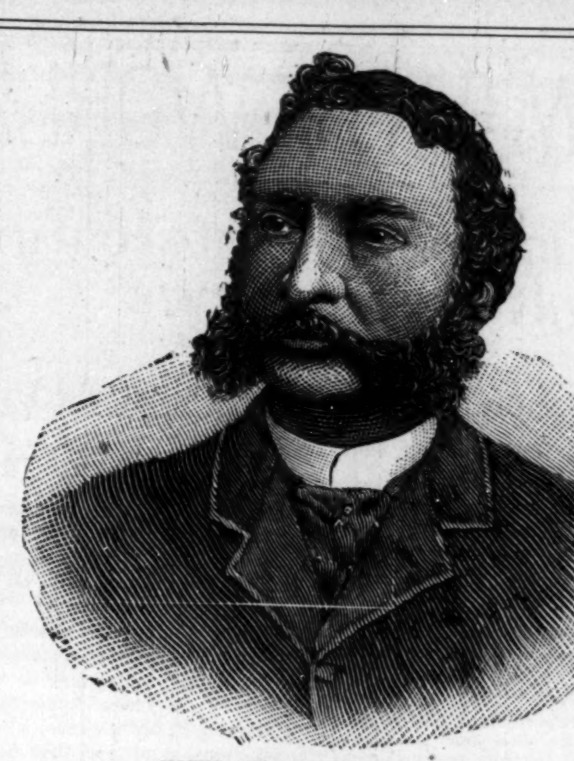
REV. J. W. CARR'S CROWN.

Great Day Last Sabbath at Second Baptist Church,

This City—A Big Re-opening—Rev. J. D. Rouse's Eloquent Sermon—Finest Church in the State.

Sunday, July 29th, was a day that will be long remembered in Indianapolis, Second Baptist church being the centre of attraction, the occasion being the grand re-opening of said church. As early as 9 o'clock (the hour for Sunday school) a number had gathered about the magnificent edifice, viewing the exterior and seemingly anxious and very impatient for the time to arrive when the doors of the Auditorium would be thrown open and they could pass up stairs to behold the grandeur and artistic beauty afforded by the interior. This brought a large crowd, naturally, to the Sunday school and the Lecture room was quite crowded. The interest manifested in the lesson was very encouraging and all seemed to be enthused or inspired by something, which was made apparent later on. At last the hour arrived, and many who went to the Auditorium more out of curiosity than anything else, found themselves listening with all the attentiveness they could command to the Rev. J. D. Rouse, D. D., of Evansville, Ind., who spoke very eloquently of the "Progress of the Church." He held their attention through the entire discoure, ending by reviewing the progress of Second Baptist church from the time, shortly after the pastorate of Rev. Joseph Broyles, when Rev. J. W. Carr, D. D, became its pastor. Their building had been taken away from them, owing to the inability of the members to pay a debt held against it, and the membership had dwindled down to sixty-five persons. "That," said the speaker, "was a little over seven years ago, and you being without a church, were compelled to worship in an abandoned skating rink." He paid a just and glowing tribute to Rev. Carr, who under these unfavorable circumstances assumed the pastorate, telling of how the Baptists throughout the state rejoiced when the word went out that "Old Second" had been redeemed. As the speaker said, in seven years the membership has grown from sixty-five to 1,368, and instead of being in a rink they are now worshiping in the finest church owned by Afro Americans in the state of Indiana, while in point of artistic beauty it is excelled by but a few—very few—white churches in the city. Rev. J. M. Morton, after Rev. Rouse had concluded, added a few remarks, setting forth the attitude of the other Baptist churches of the city, stating that "Old Second" was their mother and that of course all rejoiced with her.

At 2:30 p. m. the pastors of the city, accompanied by their respective congregations, were present, and each pastor was allotted five minutes in which to speak upon the subject, "Higher Planes of Christianity." This proved to be a very enjoyable service, since they discussed the subject very interestingly, and the exercises closed after each pastor had taken a collection from their members present and turned it over as their portion of the grand rally. One minister in the course of his talk spoke of the instance of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, and said, as did she, "That the half had never been told," referring to the magnificence of Second church, and since this seemed to be the general verdict, the news spread throughout the city, the result being that at night the church was filled to overflowing, standing room being at a premium, and numbers finding it useless, did not attempt to enter. Notwithstanding the crowded condition of the house, and the exceeding warm weather, Rev. J D. Rouse again demonstrated his ability as a minister by holding the audience while he spoke about thirty minutes upon the "Destiny of the Righteous." All seemed to enjoy this service, if attentiveness counts for anything, nor did they shrink from their duty when the time came to show their appreciation in another way, for all seemed eager to put their share upon the collection table, which they found quite a task, owing to the crowded condition of the aisles. The collection during the day amounted to $1,311.50. Space forbids further comment, but Rev. J. W. Carr, the pastor, certainly deserves great credit for the excellent record he has made during the seven years he has been in our midst, and Indianapolis joins with him and his congregation in pointing with pride to the Second Baptist church. AN OBSERVER.



NOTED AFRO-AMERICAN POLITICIAN,
Hon. James Hill, of Mississippi.

Prize Winners--Many Personals.

Clarksville Tenn., Special.

The concert given at Wesley Chapel C. M. E. church Friday July 27, for the benefit of Rev. J. M. Mitchell pastor of the church, was a success. The entertainment given July 4th and 5th at St Peters A. M. E. chuuch was a grand one, the neckless was won by Miss Nannie Withers, who sold six dollars and twenty five cents worth of tickets. Second prize by Miss Mary Blakey, who sold six dollors worth of tickets at Russellville Sunday July 22, Miss M. E. Taylor the female preacher preached at the camp grounds too about one thousand people, Miss Taylor will arrive in the city of Clarksville Aug. 25 or 26, to begin a campmeeting.

Miss Mary E. Hill, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is visiting her cousin Miss Louella Williams 915 College St. George W. Hill and Charles Cobb, left the city July 22, for Russellville Samuel Dobney who has been visiting Russellville and Bowling Green, has returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Suggs who has been absence about three weeks has returned home. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burnes who has been visiting in Shelbyville Tenn., has returned to their home 914 College St. Hon. Robert E Hill arrived in the city July 23, from Russellville Ky. Mrs. Freeman Oakley, who has been visiting in Dickson and Nashville, has returned home again. Mr. Richard Jones is on the sick list. Mrs. Janie Dunlap, of Chicago, is visiting in the city. Lee Macneal has a first class barber shop on First St between Franklin and Commerce St The members of the Mt. Olie Baptist church will give a picnic the 8th of Aug. The FREEMAN is the greatest Negro Journal on earth, everybody should read it. Rev. A B Wimley has returned to the city again after been absent about two weeks

Misses Ella Hunter, Emma Haskin. Lillie Martin has returned home after a week's visit in Saddleville and Elkton. Miss Lena Hunter has gone to Cincinnati to make that city her future home. The picnic at Main St. Baptist church was a grand one.

Society Movements.

Ennis, Tex., Special.

Miss Annie Battle left here for Kaufman, Tex., last week to pay a visit to Miss Florence Ezell. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morris and family, was in the City last week spending a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ed McCoin. Miss Mollie Umphrey, of Corsicanna, Tex., was in the City last week spending a visit with Mr. and Mrs. McCuire. Mrs. B. Honeal is on the sick list. Rev. M D. Moody presiding Elder of Dallas Tex., District, was in the City last week. Mrs. Blunt, of Chatfield, Tex, was in the City last week. Mr. Clint Thomas and Frank Biggins both old Ennis boys, returned from the West last week where they have been rushing stock. They will spend a few days in the city before returning. The boys always makes things lively when here. Rev. F. G. Davis has recovered from his recent illness, and filled his pulpit here Monday and Tuesday evening. We are informed by Rev. D. G. Biggins of the Baptist church that he will begin a protracted meeting tonight at Horeb church six miles in the country. Miss Anna J. Battles was visiting in Kaufman last week. She reports quite a nice time. Mr. E. Hill, of Hillsboro, is in the City today the guest of his old friend W. M. Malone.

Miss Mollie Umphrey, of Corsicanna has been visiting in the City for several days, and the ladies and young men spared no pains in trying to make her visit a pleasant one. Mrs. Will McGuire left last evening for Corsicana where she will spend a week with parents, Billy will be a little lonesome until she returns. The members of the A. M. E. church held their quarterly conference here Satutday the 21st, inst. Elder Leake presiding.

Dedicatory Exercises.

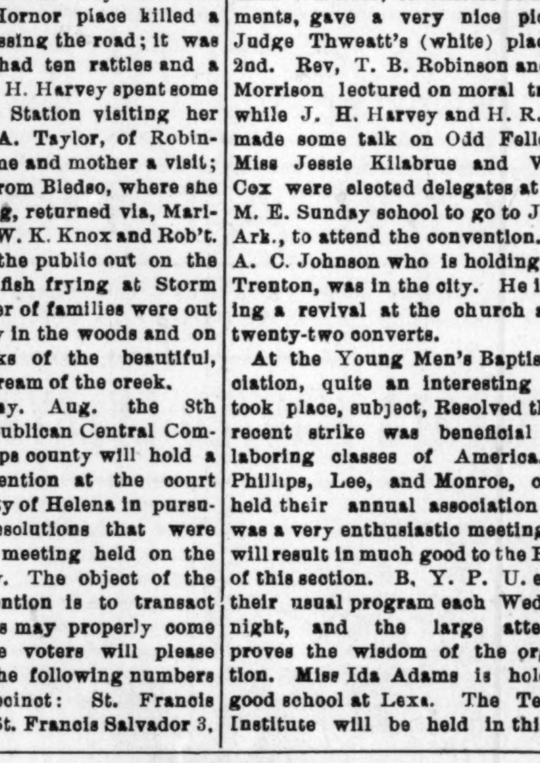
Baltimore, Mo., Special.

The Colored hospital held dedicatory exercises in the contest hall of the academy of music on last Wednesday evening, July 25th. The exercises consisted of short talks. Prayer by Rev. Ananios Brown, pastor of the Leader Hall St Baptist church. The speakers were Rev. Dr. Bryant, of St Louis, his honor ex-Mayor R. I. Davison, of this city, Rev. Dr. Decca Johnson, of Atlanta Georgia, Rev. W. P. Ryder, of M. P. M. E. church of this city and others. There was a grand concert on last Friday evening at Bethel A. M. E. church under the auspices of the American Association of the Educators of colored youth, it was largely attended. The American Association of Educators of colored youth at Bethel Ind., 1894 met in this city at North Street Baptist church on Tuesday July 24th. 1893. Was a grand success some of the best bands in the country attended the Convention. Mr John I. Wasting is rusticating for a few weeks with his brother at Calvert Co., Md. Mrs. Annie A. Dyer has just arrived home safely after spending ten days with her sister at Mt. Holly N. I. Mrs. Iasie Gray is spending her summer months with her mother at Norford. Miss Mary Washington, of Annapolis, is the guest of Miss Henrietta S. Chase and will be ten days longer yet.

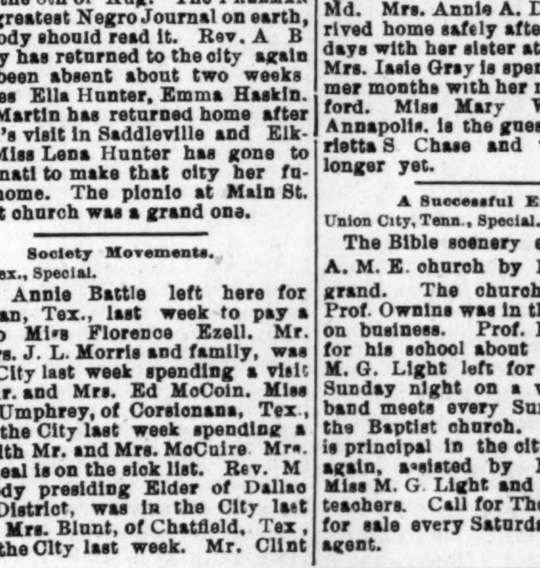
A Successful Exhibition.

Union City, Tenn., Special.

The Bible scenery exhibited at the A. M. E. church by Mr. Walker was grand. The church was crowded. Prof. Ownins was in the city last week on business. Prof. Daily will start for his school about Sept. 1st. Miss M. G. Light left for St. Louis last Sunday night on a visit. The Bible band meets every Sunday evening at the Baptist church. Prof. McMakan is principal in the city public schools again, assisted by Mrs. McMakan, Miss M. G. Light and Prof. Oveby as teachers. Call for The Freeman, it is for sale every Saturday; I. A. Bell, agent.



NOTED AFRO-AMERICAN POET,
Albery A. Whitman, author "Rape of Florida."



NOTED AFRO-AMERICAN SOLDIER,
Lieut. Flipper, a graduate of West Point.

JUST A FEW LEFT! Cut this out Send it with your RENEWAL and get a number of HOLY LAND PHOTOGRAPHED FREE. Send Early. They are Going, Going, Going!

WOMAN'S WORLD.

Instructive and Interesting Items of News

Gleaned from Philosophers' Puns and Press Comments Pertaining to Women.

THE BREATH OF THE FURZE.

The breath of the furze came over the hill.
On a moonlit night when the wind was still.
From the tall, keen spires of the golden town
That spring has built on the seaward down—
Thorn and blossom, all dimly seen
In a maze of gold and mist of green—
Was issued forth for the world's delight
A fragment message across the night.

The breath of the furze comes down to the sea
With the blackbird's voice from the hazel-tree:
Sweet as nectarine, warm as peach.
Blent with the salt of the wave-wet beach.
Through the morning glory it stove in vain
To make its marvelous meaning plain,
For the world was reeling with sound and scent
And glow of the mid-May firmament.

The breath of the furze came over the health
From the gold above and the gold beneath;
It floated down through the primrose dell
Where the chaffinch builds and the ring-doves dwell.
Wandering waters with welcome-chine,
Hailed it softly from time to time,
And the nightingale, when the dark drew nigh,
Wove it into his minstrelsy.

The breath of the furze like a dream stole in
To the city's heart through the drough and din--
With a sudden wonder a woman stopped
Where a yellow bough in the dust was dropped;
And all in a moment the tears arise
In healing streams to her dull, hard eyes.
And this spark of life that a dead soul keeps
Is newly kindled in slumber deeps.

"I will arise now and go once more
To the cottage by the brown sea-shore:
Where the brooklet spray to the foam desends
Over the cliff where the furze-brake ends.
Perhaps the cowlips are blooming now,
Where the whitethroat sing on the white-thorn bough:
Perhaps my mother is waiting still,
Where the breath of the fruze comes over the hill."

[--M, C. Gillington in London Spectator.

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Queen Victory is said to be a very bad speller and addicted to the habit of writing illegibly to hide errors in orthography.

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Lady Lansdowne has presented a handsome silver medal to the Ladies' Golf Club of Calcutta, of which she was formerly President.

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There are more than 2,000 girl students at present in the London Guildhall School of music, and of these about 300 are studying the violin.

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In Persia the women of fashion paint black circles around each eye and ornament the cheeks with figures of various small animals, bugs, etc.

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Clara Barton and her noble associates of the Red Cross have carried thousands of poor people on the Sea Islands through the winter and spring on less than $35,000.

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Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher says in regard to woman suffrage: "I am unalterable opposed to woman suffrage. I cannot understand why women will not be satisfied with being women, without aspiring to man's estate."

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EXCHANGE TASKS.

Jackson—Mrs. Vokes married Vokes with the idea of reforming him.

Currie—How are they getting along?

Jackson—The poor fellow is having an awful time now trying to reform her.—Town Topics.

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Mrs. Dandridge, the surviving daughter of Zachary Taylor, has recently been visiting Washington. While Gen. Taylor was President she married Col. Bliss, his chief of staff She presided in the White House and was generally known as "pretty Betty Bliss." Some time after the death of of Col. Bliss she married Philip Pendleton Dandridge of Winchester, Va.

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It is not often that a woman is able to array herself in any fabric which 300 years ago was the property of a queen. The Countess of Pembroke, however, had this privilege at the Queen's recent drawing room, when, it is said, her magnificent white and silver brecade and light peach blosson velvet train were trimmed with old point de Flandre which had once belonged te, and been worn by, Queen Elizabeth.

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As soon as the young housewife has installed her household goods in her new home she longs in good old scriptural fashion to call together her friends and neighbors to rejoice with her. Just exactly how she shall celebrate "the hanging of the crane," however is a problem. She may give a large reception and so establish a clearing-house for all social obligations or she may from time to time entertain a few friends until all have broken bread in the new home. While circumstances must, of course, control individual action, still there are a few general rules which may be safely followed by all young housemakers. A little thought, for instance, will convince the most ambitious that a large reception so soon after the formal marriage festivities will not give as much satisfaction as a few smaller social functions arranged with a tact and originality. While few can analyze the charm attaching itself to bridal gifts and trousseau of the happy young wife, all women at least have felt its power. To see and to handle the dainty household plenishing and the wonderful creations of the modiste and milliner are pleasure which no girl in a normal condition can surrender without a pang.

The hostess, then, who wishes to give the greatest amount of enjoyment to her girlhood friends will entertain them in such a manner that they can peer into every nook and corner of the pretty, new home and chat over the gifts and fancy-work to their hearts content, says Helen Jay in the Ladies Home Journal of August.

No Longer Under Martial Law.

Beechwood, Ill., Special.

Mr. Geo. Robinson, of Cairo, is the efficient business man of the City. Mr. Robinson came to this place from Memphis Tenn., with his family. He has embarked in the Restaurant business he also carries a line of assorted Confectionaries. Those who may come to this business City, will do well to call upon Mrs. and Mrs. Robinson 405 Fourth St. They will board or lodge travelers. The militia is gone home and work has begun in full blast. Those men who struck in "what they call sympathy" with Pullman's employes—have all who want to get work, taken an oath that they will not put the company to any more trouble. Miss Ida Pedeborn, of Cairo is one of the races best women, She is a practical school teacher—her work being in Ark, City Ark. She tells of many pertiment facts concerning Afro-Americans, all over the South. Chief organizer C. H. Davis, of this place is doing a grand work 50 or 60 persons have been initiated in the Supreme Commandery. The grand Synod of this organization is located at this place. Beechwood is proud of her acquisition. Truely the National Supreme Universal brotherhood will be found all over this country and foreign lands, from the wonderful progress it is now making. Mrs. Davis, the better half of our worthy organizer is one of the needed women of the race.

Officers at this place Rev. B. Moss, Pres. Mrs. Moss, Vice, A. Freeman, Financial Sec. Miss Alla Payne, Clerk —Prof. J. O. Alston Financial Sec of the United States of America. Rev. P. Alsobrooks, of Pulaski, preached an able sermon Sunday to quite an appreciative audience. His subject being the "Work of Redemption." He held the hearers spell-bound for 30 minutes—he did acquit himself as a man of God. A council was called to settle a difficultry in the St. John Baptist church—but on acount of som misunderstanding, it did go in to session. We, are with Rev. J. J. Jones on the arrangement for the reception of Miss Ida B. Wells. This alone will show that we approve of her position while in England. We want a first class woman teacher at this place to do Kindergarten work. Address J. D. Alston, Beechwood, Ill.

OPPOSED TO IMMIGRATION.

The Negro Should Organize, Build Towns, Etc.—How he Should Die.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Please allow me space to say a few things for and about the race. It being a question where the Negro shall expatriate, or in other words immigrate. I am opposed to going anywhere with the understanding that we have no right here. A country developed by our forefathers and enriched by their blood. To say that we shall not have our equal rights here before the laws, is contrary to truth and justice. If we have to make our exodus, let us not think once that this country is not our home. Some of the leaders say Africa, and some say Mexico is the place for the Negro. I say after we shall have found out that the hellish lynch system cannot be abolished, then I say it would be the best plan to leave this country; not because this is not our home, but because liberty and justice are hidden from us, and the law don't know us. I think the race ought to decide upon some united plan for the betterment of its present condition. I am a Negro, and have the race's interest truly at heart.

I think it is best to seek all means to live here in peace with our fellow men. Our condition here is calamitous; the white man can kill a Negro and it is no more before the law than if he had killed a cow; no, not as much, for if a person kills a cow, he or she will be punished for the same, but here in the South the Negro's life hasn't any consideration whatever. Let the race come together in union, and do more to help each other, more for education, and do more for race papers. I can truthfully say I haven't prejudice against the white race, as a whole race, but the white man that beats the Negro up without a just cause, I don't like him. The white man that says "Don't give the d—n nigger any show to come in life," I don't like him. The white man that laughs whenever they hear of a poor innocent Negro being mobbed, I don't like him. But the white man that says, "Treat the Negro right, under and according to the laws of the United States; give him a chance to educate his children," the same is my true friend. I don't mean that he simply use these words as a saying, but his past conduct must show that he is a friend to the race, for we have white friends.

There are towns in the South where a Negro can't get off the train under any consideration unless he has a white master with him. Well, where such things exists, there are only two things to do. First, do not go where such low classes are, but come together in your own community and organize stock companies and build your own towns, and other things of enterprize as follows: Oil mill, gin house, grist mill, sugar mill, blacksmith shop, a local bank and a printing office. I would further add by saying if such a company could raise money enough, let them build tap railroads. It is not a race line, for these malignant white men's towns in the South have already drawn the line.

I am opposed to our people begging any more for their lives. If they have to die, let them die like men. For the second plan: If the first don't suit, is immigration. E. C. BRANCH.

Brazoria, Tex.

SUNDAY EXCURSIONS

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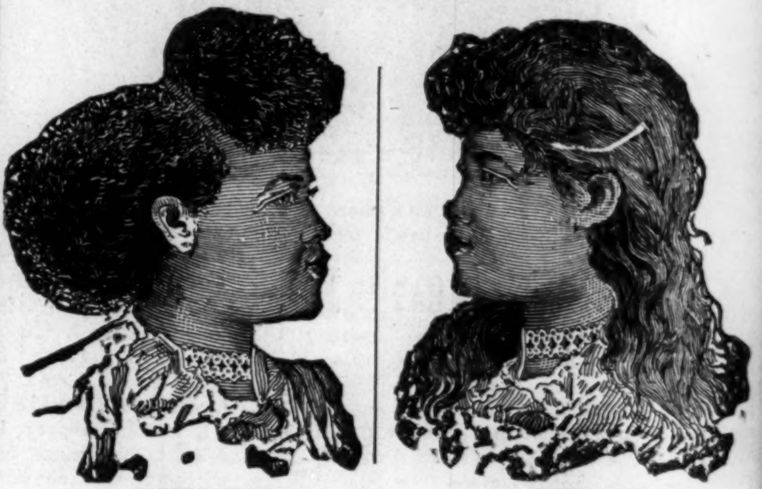

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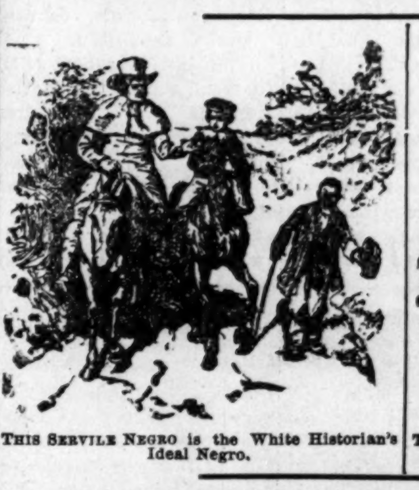

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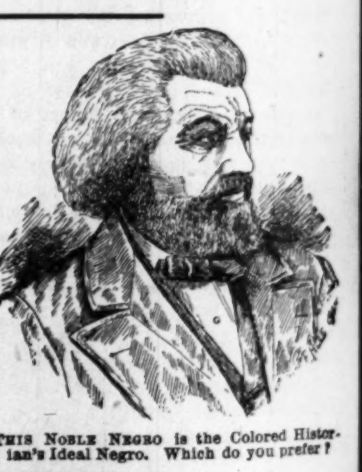

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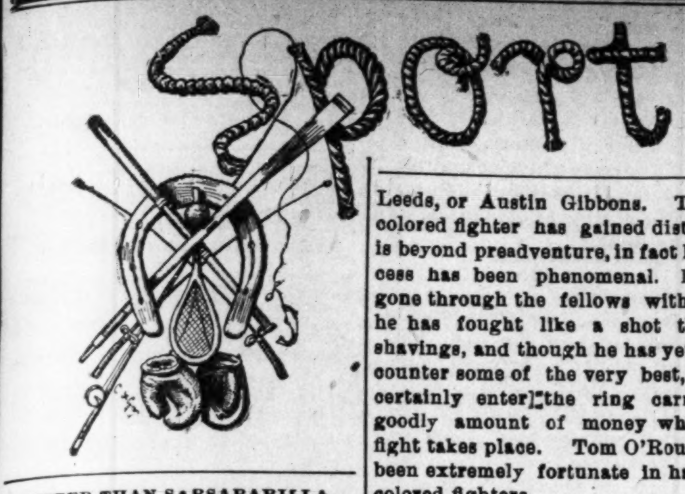

BETTER THAN SARSAPARILLA.

He had "that tired feeling"
That set his footsteps reeling;
He found it quite an effort to respire—
But when the gong had sounded,
Whew! How those tan shoes pounded,
As he ran two long miles to see the fire.
—[Indianapolis Jourdal.

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J. J. Quinn, of Pittsburg, backer of pugilists, offers to post $500 forfeit to bind a match with George Dixon for $2,500 a side.

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Benny Peterson is hunting for a match. He wants to fight George Siddons or Eddie Pierce, or the winner of the Kentucky Rosebud-Solly Smith fight.

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Bobby Dobbs, of St. Paul, the coming light weight, is spending the summer in East Port, Me. He will box six rounds with Andy Watson, August 7, at St. Johns, N. B.

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Mike Haley, manager of pugilists, who now has Jerry Marshall in hand, states that the latter is not an Australian, but was born in New York, where his father still resides.

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It was announced last week that the Kentucky Rosebud and Solly Smith had been matched to fight 20 rounds before the Twin City Athetic Club, of Minneapolis Minn., on August 9.

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The Twin City Athletic Club has offered a purse of $500 for a fight between Con Riordan and Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee Cooler," who was recently defeated by Peter Maher.

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Jerry Barnett, the New York featherweight, who once fought a draw with George Dixon, is anxious to do battle with Johnny Griffin, the Braintree lad, at 120 pounds, before the Seaside Athletic Club.

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Jem Howse, a noted English trainer of pugilists, who trained Jem Smith when the latter fought Jake Kilrain for $10,000 and the championship of the world, in France, died in England on Monday.

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Dick O'Brien, the New England welter weight, whose study course of victories was checked by Joe Walcott recently, announced his intention of re-entering the ring. O'Brien wants to fight anyone in America scaling between 145 and 150 pounds.

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Arrangements are now under way to match Eddie Pierce, the New York feather-weight, against Jerry Marshall at Boston some time this month. Some of the Boston clubs are thinking of offering a big purse for those two clever lads.

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Joe Choynski has two hard contracts on hand. He has signed to stop Mike Boden, the "trial horse," in four rounds July 30, at the Isabella Theatre Chicago, and a contract to meet Steve O'Donnell, August 14, at the same place, presumably for ten or twenty rounds.

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Bobby Dobbs, of St. Paul, whom Western sports believe is the coming light-weight, wants to make a match with any 133 or 135-pound man. Dobbs is colored, and can punch hard and fight cleverly. Stanton Abbot refused to meet him a short ago owing to his color.

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The following dispatch was received from London last week: "George Johnson has accepted the challenge of George Dixon, and will fight the latter at 119 pounds for $1,000 a side and purse in National Sporting Club; or he will fight any pugilist in America under the same conditions."

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Tom O'Rourke had the following cable dispatch sent to London: "Tom O'Rourke has posted £100 for Joe Walcott to fight any man in England, 133 to 142 pounds, for £500 a side. Dixon will fight either of the Johnsons at 122 pounds for £500 and the championship.

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The Legislature of Louisiana has not knocked out glove contests, and several good fistic displays are likely to occur in New Orleans during the next two years. President Scholl, of the Olympic club, has been on guard at the capital, and that the member of the General Assembly did not put a quietus on fights is due mainly to the activity of the head of the old club. The Olympic club is certainly a successful institution.

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Tom O'Rourke has issued a defy in behalf of Joe Walcot, to Abbott, Leeds, or Austin Gibbons. That the colored fighter has gained distinction is beyond preadventure, in fact his success has been phenomenal. He has gone through the fellows with whom he has fought like a shot through shavings, and though he has yet to encounter some of the very best, he will certainly enter the ring carrying a goodly amount of money when the fight takes place. Tom O'Rourke has been extremely fortunate in handling colored fighters.

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"Bantam," the well-known sporting writer of the New Orleans Picayune, in the following article shows that he has the right idea: "The Olympic Club is said to be trying to match two colored fighters, and prominently among the names mentioned are Jerry Marshall and George Dixon. Should the club manage to bring this pair together it should throw open its doors to the colored populrtion and allow our colored brothers a full opportunity of attending the fight. There are thousands of respectable sport-loving colored men in this city, and it would be a splendid opportunity for them to take advantage of by witnessing the mill in large numbers, and prove to the world that the mass of Southern colored men are fully able to conduct themselves as become good citizens. It would not be out of place to have on hand colored ushers in full dress, who would attend to the seating of the audience. Such a move would not fail to attract the attention of the sport-loving world. There are many colored men in this city who never fail to attend the Olympic Club fights, and I have yet to hear of one of them being ejected for "conduct unbecoming," as I have known some whites to have treated, and properly, too. A section of the arena could be reserved for the white patrons, but it might be well to make the affair a 'colored' night.'

Scottish Rite Masonry.

Kansas City, Kan., Special.

The Illustrious Peter Harris, 33d degree, special deputy for Kansas, arrived here last week, and with the assistance of Illustrious M W. Love, 32d degree, L. D. Carter, 32d degree, J. M. Washington, 32d degree, J. Anderson, 32d degree, John Belle, 32d degree, and several others, organized a Consistory of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, consisting of twenty Sublime Princes of the 32d degree, for the valley of Kansas, Orient, Kansas City, Kan., name Kansas City, Kan., Consistory.

He also organized a Temple of the A.·. A.·. O.·. of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Freemasonry. Some of the novices made several fruitless efforts to avoid riding the camel. Nevertheless, after they had come in contact with the hot sands on their long and unpleasant journey in the desert, they were glad enough to be placed between the two humps on the back of their new and saucy camel, for there was no end to tender feet. The road was in a a splendid condition—never saw it rougher! Noble M. W. Love, High Priest and Prophet, had control of the camel and shrine goat, but retired long before our return from the Arabian desert, on account of having participated a little too freely in camel hair, goat milk, zim zim, etc. M. W. knows a good thing when he tastes it.

These two organizations are composed of some of the most competent and best men in the city, and is the first organization of Scottish Rite Masons among colored men in the State of Kansas, owing their obedience as they do to the Southern and Western Jurisdiction, whose Grand See is located at Washington, D. C., with the Illustrious Thornton A. Jackson, 33d degree, as its M.·. P.·. S.·. G.·. C.·.

The following Nobles were elected to the different offices: Illustrious S. H. Thompson, M. D., 32d degree, commander-in-chief; Illustrious Isaac Drake, 32d degree, first lieutenant commander-in-chief; Illustrious Thos. S. Brown, 32d degree, second lieutenant commander-in-chief; Illustrious D. White, 32d degree, grand minister of state; Illustrious L. R. Taylor, 32d degree, grand chancellor; Illustrious Joseph James, 32d degree, grand treasurer; Illustrious J. E. Massey, 32d degree, grand recorder; Illustrious G. H. Browne, M. D., 32d degree, grand master ceremonies; Illustrious R. C. Clark, 32d degree, grand hospitator; Illustrious T. W. Cooper, 32d degree, grand allminer; Illustrious J. W. Walker, 32d degree, grand captain guard; Illustrious J. W. Quarels, 32d degree, grand Tyler; Illustrious C. H. James, 32d degree, L. B. Jordan, 32d degree, J. Thompson, 32d degree. Our Grand East is at Chicago, Ill.

Good Man Dead—Negroes And Excursions.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Please give me space in your valuable paper. Rev. Edward Cochrel, preacher in charge of the Moore's Chapel A. M. E. church, departed this life July 17th, at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. Cockrell was beloved by the members of his church, and was an honest, devoted christian gentleman, and was a good worker for Christ in the church. We are sorry to lose so good a man, though our loss is heaven's gain. Rev. Cockerel's remains were sent to Nashville, Tenn., for interrment. My school is progressing very well. I have forty-one pupils in attendance. This number will be increased to about sixty within the next two weeks. Our Sunday school is in a prosperous condition; also our literary and choir are in good trim. Rev. E Reynolds left here on the 19th, ult., to attend the District A. M. E. conference, which convened at Connersville, Tenn., recently. The Reverend preached one of his soul searching sermons previous to his leaving for conference. Mrs. Easter Rice and her grand-sons, Masters W. P. Ernest and Clark Rice, have moved to Kelso, Tenn., with her son, your scribe. Masters W. P. Ernest and Clark Rice will attend school at Kelso this summer and fall. Mrs. Ellen Keith and husband, G. W. Keith, went to Elora, Tenn., on an excursion and had a good time. Prof. C. W. Bright, of Fayetteville, Tenn., was the orator of the day. Hard times are here as everywhere, but just let a cheap excursion train be heard of, and the colored people will spend their hard earnings that day liberally; go back home with no meat in the smoke house nor meal in the barrel. More money and less brains, I suppose we will still yell hard times. Wheat crops in this country are good. Corn crops are looking fine after a much needed rain. Our literary and Sunday school will make arrangements soon to buy some literature. J. P. Cowley and J. V. Carter, now holding the office of Squire, wants to be elected again. They are white gentlemen, very efficient business men, and should be elected. They are also well wishers to the progress of the colored people at large. As I fear the waste basket, I will close. Yours for the race,

J. M. RICE,

Kelso, Tenn., July 23, '94.

Many Colored People Arrested.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Thirty-six colored people were arrested within the limits of the Second police district on last Sunday week for different little misdemeanors, and were tried before Judge Paxston, of the Second police court, on Monday, the 23d inst. Twenty-nine were adjudged guilty and their fines ranged from $5 to $100. Twenty-six failed to pay their fines and were sent to prison to work out the same on long terms at a low rate per day.

A very large fire broke out at the corner of Third and Biddle streets on the 22d inst., in which three men and one woman, all white, were burned to a crisp. The Republicans of this city are now holding mass-meeting, preparing for the Republican primary election, which will be held August 13, for the purpose of electing delegates from each ward to the State convention, and the colored Republicans expect to elect their number of the delegates.

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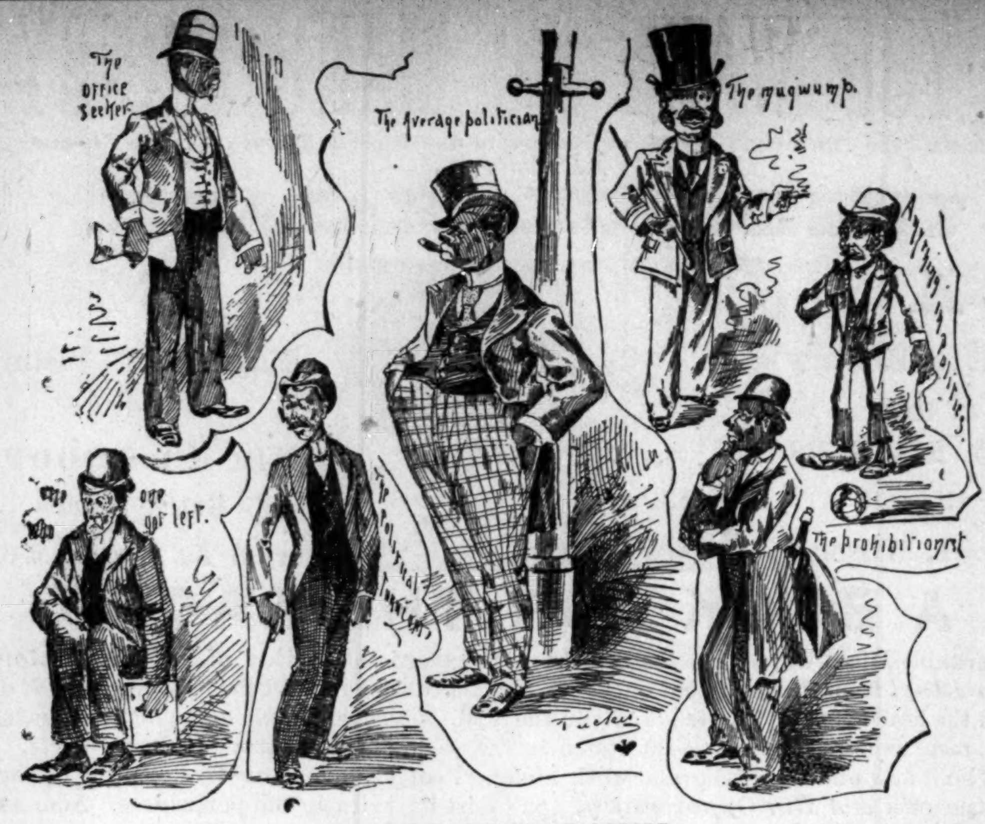

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THE FREEMAN is happy, on the eve of the campaign about to open, in calling pictorial attention to our distinguished, dear—very dear—friends above, each one of whom carries the vote of his precinct in his pocket (in a horn.)

CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Harrison Hill is convalescing.

Miss Lucinda Miles is at lake Maxinkuckee.

Miss Daisy Stewart is visiting the Gotham City.

John R. Duggard left last Sunday for Pittsburg.

Miss Ida B. Hall left this week for Toronto, Canada.

The Tabernacle Baptist camp meeting closes to morrow night.

Smith Minter entertained a host of friends on last Friday evening.

Miss Sadie Lee left yesterday for Louisville and adjoining towns.

Miss Effie Johnson, of Arcadia, is in the city, the guest of many friends.

Remember the grand picnic given by the Herculean Club on the 10th.

Joseph S. Henderson left Friday for a visit to Louisville and Danville, Ky.

The State Baptist Sunday School Convention closed its session at Terre Haute last week.

Miss Mamie Harris, of Xenia, O., is the honored guest of Mrs. Eva Winn, on West First st.

R. A. Roberts passed through the city Tuesday en route to his home at Charlottsville, Ind.

Herculean celebration at Fair Grounds, Aug. 10th. Admission, 20 cts.; children, 10 cts.

The several lodges of this city will join the Crawfordsville lodge of Odd Follows on Aug. 9th.

Stephen Roberts and Wm. Lloyd, of Noblesville, were in the city on last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Rev. E. H. Ward, of Rushville, Ind., formerly of this city, was in the city arranging for a big camp-meeting.

Miss Adora Knight, of Terre Haute, is being entertained by Rev. and Mrs. Theophilus Price of Allen Chapel.

Rev. O. A. Williams, of the Ninth Presbyterian church, went on the excursion to Niagara Falls August 3d.

Spend a day and evening with the Herculean club at the Fair Grounds, Aug. 10th. Admission reduced.

The funeral of Eli W. Wilson, the murdered man, took place from Mt. Zion Baptist Church on last Friday afternoon.

Grand Conclave and Competitive drill given by the Knights of Pythias, will come off on August 23d, at the Fair Grounds.

Henry Sweetland and committee will run their fourth annual excursion to Lexington Fair on or about the 12th of September.

The Bethel Christian Endeavor was the only colored society in the State that was represented in the Cleveland convention by delegates.

The Olivet Baptist church choir on Coburn St. elected Charles W. Rice leader and Mrs. Emma Walker organist for the ensuing year.

Rev. W. S. Jackson, the assistant pastor of Antioch Baptist Church, will assist Rev. E. H. Ward in his camp-meeting at Rushville tomorrow.

Miss Dohorney, of Seymour, and Miss Bass, of Bloomington, delegates to the Sunday-school convention at Terre Haute, are visiting friends in the city.

Henry Hughers was elected leader and Miss Mattie Moffett organist of the South Calvary Baptist church at their church meeting on last Thursday evening.

Prices have been reduced to the grand celebration and Midsummer Night Festival at Fair Grounds, Aug. 10th. Admission: Adults, 20 cts.; children, 10 cts.

The "wand drill," represented by twenty little boys and girls, on last Monday evening at New Bethel Baptist Church, was a charming and picturesque scene.

Watch for the grand street parade at 10 a. m., Friday, Aug. 10th, and don't fail to attend the celebration at the Fair Grounds, given under the auspices of the Herculean club.

Miss Edna Gist was elected delegate to the district M. E. Conference, which meets at Princeton to represent the Epworth League of Simpson Chapel on last Thursday evening.

A. E. Meyzeek and mother, of Terre Haute, were in the city last week, en route to Louisville. Mrs. Meyzeek remained in the city, the guest of Mrs. Nellie Allen, of Elizabeth street.

Good speaking, also Athletic contests, Bicycle races, Base Ball, Pacing and Trotting races, can be seen at the Fair Grounds, Friday, Aug. 10th. Admission: Adults, 20 cts.; children, 10 cts.

Twenty-five prizes will be given away at the Herculean celebration, Friday, Aug. 10th, at the Fair Grounds. See the display of prizes in the show window of Hoff's shoe store, 70 Indiana avenue.

The re-opening of the Second Baptist church on last Sabbath, was an imposing scene. All of the city clergy turned out with their various congregations enmasse, to do honor to the occasion. Rev. J. W. Carr, the pastor in charge, should feel highly gratified on the success of the affair.

Mme. Essie Fry-Cooke, Mrs. Ella Cosby, Misses Ora Jones and Biddie Miller, W. H. Hunt, J. H. Fiddler, the Bell's Quartette and the famous Brotherhood Band, have been engaged for the grand Midsummer Night Festival at the Fair Grounds, on the evening of Aug. 10th. Admission: Adults, 20 cts.; children, 10 cts.

The Endeavor society of Bethel Church held a social at the residence of Miss Lizzie Sweeney, 80 Elizabeth street. A large crowd was in attendance, who enjoyed the large program that had been prepared for the occasion.

Personal Mention.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Crockett and daughter Clawden spent the evening of Friday, July 27, at Mrs. W. M. Abston's, corner Eighth and Alvord streets.

Miss Laura Ellwood and Dan Simons passed through the city last week to their home, 3236 Armour avenue, Chicago, from Dublin, Ind, where they had been in attendance upon the funeral of their mother.

CLUB LIFE.

An organization that bids fair to create a stir in social circles, is one of hustling young men, who desire to raise the "intellectual and moral status of the youth of Indianapolis" The printed constitution and by laws, if they count for anything, show that the boys are made of thorough stuff. The Tuxedo's will appear for the first time in public in the Herculean Picnic parade. Henry Williams, president; Henry Taylor, secretary.

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The Young Men's Christian club, is a christian organization as its name implies, whose object is to form and operate a Young Men's Christian Association. It was organized about April 1st, with brilliant prospects, under the supervision of the State Association. Internal disaffection, sore-headedness and the "official bee" have so disrupted the club that members are losing interest and confidence in the organization. Until more christianity and less selfishness is infused into the club, there is not much hope for its future.

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The Terpsichorean club, the cream de la cream of social organization, gave their sixth annual outing at Hammond's Grove last Wednesday. The club, with its friends, "rendezvoused" in University park at 8:30, and soon thereafter took the College Avenue car for the Fair Ground, where wagons were waiting to transfer them to the picnic grounds, a beautiful grove about six miles north-east of the city. Panden's orchestra enlivened the scene by its entrancing music. Boating, fishing, swinging, etc., furnished amusement for those whose light and fantastic toe did not respond to Terpsichorean's gentle call. The "Terps" are in their seventh year, and their two entertainments a year, are the social events of the season. Remus Moore is president; L. A. Newby, secretary.

AT THE BIFFEL HOME.

A Brilliant and Pleasant Reception at Tuxedo Park.

Misses Minnie Biffel and Grace Davison, of Tuxedo Park, assisted by Misses Rachel Brock and Maggie Rodgers, of Irvington, gave a party Thursday evening July 26th, 1894, from seven to twelve. The guests were Charles Middleton, Mamie Armstrong, Grant Robinson, Mamie Harris, Fred Stokes, Irven Winn, Charles Thomas, Grace Davison, Edward Allv, Blanche Miller, William Pierce, Maggie Biffel, Huston Butler, Eva Vaughan, Harry Taylor, Rachel Brock, Harry Dunnington, Maggie Rodgers, Edward Gracen, William Woods, Maggie Lyons, John Johnson, Myrtle Butler, Alley Scott, Florence Warfield, Edward Warfield, Susan Brock, Albert Strothers, Emma Gardner William Baker, Eva Brock, Walter Starks, Mrs. E. Johnson, William Brown, Mrs. S. Floyd, John Swan, Mrs S. Fisher, Edward Young, Mr and Mrs. Allison Sweeny, Minnie Biffel. Harry Sanders. Miss Mamie Harris, from Xenia, O., was one of the guests.

MENU.

First course.

Ham Sandwiches. Pickles. Coffee

Second course.

Ice Cream. Cake.

Third course.

Fruit. Punch.

Favors, Doll Baby.

Music by Harry Taylor and Huston Butt.

Baptist Sunday-School Convention.

The State Baptist Sunday-school Convention convention convened in Terre Haute on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 27, 28 and 29. An unusually large number of delegates were present, making this convention by far the largest ever held by the Baptists in this State. Between $200 and $300 were raised, of which $150 is for missionary purposes.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George L. Davis, Indianapolis; vice-president, Frank Smith, Terre Haute; treasurer, Mrs. Winnie Smith, of Pimento; corresponding missionary, Miss Mattie Owens, of Columbus; corresponding secretary, W. H. Cox, of Brazil; missionary treasurer, Miss M. A. Broyles, of Indianapolis. Miss Daisy Jackson, of Franklin, is assistant secretary. The convention is to be congratulated on its selection of George L. Davis as its president. Mr. Davis is one of our progressive young men, being prominent in religious circles. He is president of the New Bethel Christian Endeavor, leader of the choir of the above church, and this convention, we predict, is but the beginning of a bright future.

Camp Meeting a Success.

Darlington, Ind., Special.

The camp-meeting under the management of Rev. W. R. Hutchingson, which began July 22d at this place, proved to be a great success. The attendance was exceedingly good. The meeting lasted ten days. Rev. A. Smith, P. E., was present on the 29th.

The Ministerial Alliance.

The Ministers' Alliance met in the lecture-room of the Second Baptist Church. The following is the report:

First Baptist Church, Edinburg—Sunday-school; preaching 11 a. m. by Rev. A. Isabell, of Columbus, at 3 p. m. by Rev. J. R. Miller, at 8 p. m. by the pastor; collection, $36 40.

South Calvary—Sunday-school attendance 66 collection 80 cents; preaching at 11 a. m. by, Rev. Tana, at 8 p. m. by pastor; collection, $9.

Third Baptist Church, West Indianapolis—Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. J. Williams, of Bridgeport, at 8 p. m. by Rev. J. R. Raynor; collection, $8.13.

Second Baptist Church—Sunday-school attendance 200, collection $2; preaching at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Rev. J. R. Rouse, of Evansville, Ind.; additions, 2; collection, $1,301.

Tabernacle—Sunday-school attendance 48 collection 53 cents; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Rev J. I. Winyard; collection, $8.53.

Irvington Baptist Church—Preaching at 8 p. m by S. Russell; collection, 82 cents.

Antioch—Sunday-school attendance 76, collection $1.10; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by pastor; three additions; collection, $16.40.

New Bethel—Sunday-school attendance 58, collection 45 cents; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Rev. M. C. Elzy; collection, $4.87.

Mount Pleasant—Sunday-school attendance good; preaching 11 a. m. by G. W. Washington; collection, $2.

Mount Pilgrim—Sunday-school good, collection $3; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by Bro. Patterson; collection, $7.

Corinthian--Sunday-school attendance 63, collection $2 60; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m; collection, $13 50.

Rev. Crow, of Evansville, was moderator.

By Request of Rev. Williams

The ladies of the Alpha Home Association will not meet in his, the Ninth Presbyterian church the second Thursday of August. (As he expects to spend that week at the feet of natures most eloquent orator, the great Niagara.) Being a member, he desires to be present at the meeting in his church. The Association will therefore meet this month at Elder Morton's church, corner Fourth and Howard streets.

HULDAH WEBB, President.

MRS. DR. W. L. PERRY, Secretary.

The Murray Lyceum.

Wilmington, Del., Special.

The literary exercises of the Murray Lyceum of Zion M. E. Church, Friday evening last, was quite interesting. The select readings, solos and quartettes were well rendered. The paper read by Mr. P. W. Price, the president of the Lyceum, was a masterly production. Sarah Perkins was buried from the residence of her brother, J. T. Brinkly, 514 Macaulay street, on Monday, the 30th ult. The Rev. C. N. Grandison, D. D., was in Baltimore, Md., last week. The Hiram Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons of the State of Delaware will make its annual excursion to Atlantic City on Sept. 6, over the B. & O. railroad, which bids fair to be one of the grandest excursions in the history of the Hiram Grand Lodge.

Mr. W. E. Grinnage has returned home from a trip to Atlantic City. Mr. Morris Spence was in Baltimore, Md., a few days ago, in company with his mother, Martha Spencer. Miss Lidia P. Lays will not return home from Clark's University, Atlanta, Ga., during vacation, as was expected. Rev C. C. Mason, of Washington, D. C., was in the city a few days ago. Rev. W. S. Scott's camp-meeting closed last week, which has been going for the past three weeks. Rev. Robert Jones, of the North Carolina Conference, preached a soul-stirring sermon to a large and appreciative audience at Zion M. E. Church on Sunday morning, the 29th ult.

A Dance in the Church.

Brazoria, Tex., Special.

There was a big dance at the Macedodian Baptist church a few nights ago. The Plebians had full charge of the house of God, or the so-called house of God. Messrs. Lovell & Hood, contractors of the new court house, are getting things in proper shape; they have demonstrated their ability as contractors and builders. They will have no trouble in getting another contract here in this county (Brazoria.) At this time they are working about 25 colored men. A great many of the citizens from here went down from Velasco last week to hear the result of the county Republican Executive committee. The following gentleman went: N. H. Haller, D. G. Shepherd, J. C. F. Davis, J. C. Ellis, A. H. Harrison, A. J. Perkins, Solamon Johnson, S. H. Mack, and H. C. Cresey. News came to your correspondent that Prof. W. H. Wilson, of Velasca, was dangerously sick. C. F. Branch is up again. Frank Igere, a boy of about 14 years old, cut James Tunsell almost to death last week. James Tunsell is about 12 years old. They were joking and james got the best of it, therefore Frank cut him.

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A New Organization.

Pittsburg, Pa, Special.

The lecture delivered at St. James' A. M. E. Church on Monday, July 23, by Mrs. Robinson, of Harrisburg, Pa., was largely attended. The picnic given Thursday, July 26, was well attended by the young people of the two cities and the east end. The picnic was given under the auspices of the Young Woman's Social Club. Dinner was served at 3 p. m., supper at 7. m. Committee: Miss M. E. Frazier, chairman, Miss G. A. Crompton and Miss Julia Knox. This week the Seven Wilberforce Students' Concert Company is in the Smoky City. They are giving concerts at the different churches. The company is made up of the following named persons: Mr. James A. Anderson, basso; Mr. H. A. Ongue, first tenor; Mr. Theodore E. Bryant, second tenor; Mr. Charles Borroughs, dramatic reader; Mr. W. M. Pfeiffer, baritone; Mr. Charles Sumner Byron, pianist; Mr. J. C. Colwell, advance agent. The boys will leave here for Philadelphia, Pa.

Not long ago a new organization went into effect in East Pittsburg. The object of this company is to build a treasure for some race enterprise. The officers of this organization are Mr. J. W. Warrack, treasurer; Mr. B. F. Dunmore, secretary; Mr. H. F. Collins, president.

Rev. O. S. Simms, pastor Siloam Baptist Church, preached to a large audience last Sabbath evening. Sabbath afternoon the pastor, Rev. Simms was called away to talk over the remains of Bro. Jerry Jones' child.

There will be a grand literary entertainment given at St. James' A. M. E Church on August 14. All are invited. We have a lengthy program. Mr. J. R. Pave is chairman of the committee. As this entertainment is for the special benefit of the new A. M. E. church, we hope for its success.

Hanging Bodies.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Miles Maples, who came from Memphis on the 23 inst, tells of the finding of the bodies of two Negroes hanging from a limb of a tree, near Lake Cormorant, Miss. When found the bodies had apparently been there for several days, as they were nearly all eaten away by the buzzards, and what remained was badly decomposed. The two dead men are unknown to the neighbors.

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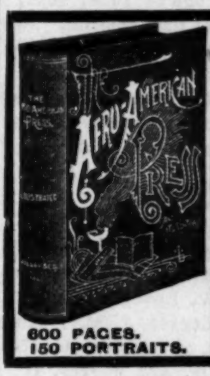

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